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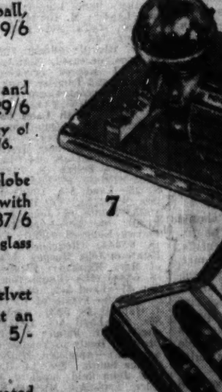

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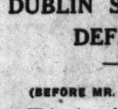

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CIRCUIT (CRIMINAL) COURT

SENTENCED FOR ASSAULT

WOMAN ATTACKED AT KIMMAGE

(BEFORE JUDGE DAVITT.)

Patrick Greene (21), Kildare road, Kimmage, Dublin, was sentenced to 18 Calendar months, to date from his committal in July, for assaulting and robbing Mrs. Frances McClure, Kimmage road, West.

Judge Davitt said that he was taking into account the youth and previous good character of the prisoner.

PRISON SENTENCES IMPOSED

James Harte, Thomas Court, Thomas street, was sent to jail for six months for housebreaking.

A sentence of nine months was imposed on Michael Murphy, Asheaton, Limerick, for receiving.

On a charge of receiving, Christopher Hudson, no fixed address, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment, and for the larceny of a wallet, containing £30, a sentence of six months was passed on Dennis Kinsella, Bridge street, Dublin.

Six months' hard labour was imposed on Patrick O'Neill, no business or permanent address, for false pretences.

GIVEN A SUSPENDED SENTENCE

John Lee, Parnell avenue, Harold's Cross, who pleaded guilty to having taken a car without the consent of the owner, and having stolen a motor horn, was given a suspensory sentence of six months, and then released on bail.

The Judge directed the jury to return a verdict of not guilty on a charge of the manslaughter of John Ward (13), of 3 Fortes' lane, off Pim street, Dublin, by knocking him down with a motor car at the junction of Greenmount lane and Greenmount avenue, on August 10th.

Mr. M. J. Connolly (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor) prosecuted; Mr. C. Casey (instructed by Messrs. McKeever and Son) defended; Mr. Ivor Barry (instructed by Messrs. D. and T. Fitzgerald) appeared for the Meath Hospital.

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INJUNCTION UPHELD

PUBLICAN'S APPEAL DISMISSED

TRADING AGREEMENT IS LEGAL

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE JOHNSTON AND MR. JUSTICE GAVAN DUFFY.)

RESERVED judgment was delivered, dismissing, with costs, an appeal of Andrew O'Donovan, publican, 22 George's quay, Cork, from a decision of Circuit Judge O'Donnell at Cork, granting an injunction in favour of James J. Murphy and Company, Limited, brewers, Cork, restraining Mr. O'Donovan from selling on his licensed premises stout or porter other than that manufactured by Messrs. Murphy and Company.

A certificate to enable an appeal to the Supreme Court was granted.

Messrs. Murphy's case was based on a trading agreement, dated 23rd May, 1934, in respect of the licensed premises, of which they were originally lessors by a lease of December, 1895, which provided that Mr. O'Donovan should deal exclusively with them for porter and stout. The parties to the agreement were Messrs. Murphy, Mr. O'Donovan and a former licensee, who had transferred his interest in the premises to Mr. O'Donovan.

The grounds of appeal, among others, were that the Circuit Judge ought to have ruled that the agreement was illegal and void, as being in unreasonable restraint of trade; and that the agreement was void, in so far as it provided that the licence should be in the hands of Messrs. Murphy, and sought to create in them an interest in the licence.

Mr. Justice Johnston, in the course of his judgment, said that it was not now contested that the publican had been selling porter and stout brewed by a company other than Messrs. Murphy, but it was contended that Mr. O'Donovan was entitled to do that, and that the agreement to sell Messrs. Murphy's porter and stout exclusively was not binding on him. In the light of the clearly expressed agreement between the parties it was very difficult to see how the defendant could succeed on any such contention, but Mr. Black (counsel for Mr. O'Donovan) had addressed to the Court such a very persuasive argument, displaying, in a very high degree, not only learning and research, but also common-sense and moderation, that he had considered that the Court should take time to consider the whole matter. Having done so, he was satisfied that the defendant's case could not prevail.

CONSENT TO ASSIGNMENT

The defendant's own views, said Mr. Justice Johnston, about the sale of the different brews of porter and stout were far from being sufficient to enable him to repudiate his contract. In his opinion, all the points that had been made in support of the defendant's desire to break his contract failed. He thought, first of all, that there was ample consideration for the making of the contract. Apart from everything else, the consent of Messrs. Murphy to the assignment of the premises to Mr. O'Donovan was enough to supply the necessary element of good consideration. The trading agreement actually provided that the publican had entered into the covenants binding upon him "in consideration of such consent."

Mr. O'Donovan had alleged that the clauses of the deed providing for the custody of the licence were null and void, as being contrary to the letter and spirit of the licensing code, and that that illegality entitled him to repudiate his other and entirely separate contract in regard to the purchase of stout.

"I do not think," continued Mr. Justice Johnston, "that this can be regarded as a sound argument. The licence is deposited with the plaintiffs only for safe keeping, and it will be observed that there is a very ample clause for its production whenever the defendant requires it. If the clause is null and void there is no reason why the defendant should not repudiate it and demand the return of the licence unconditionally, but I certainly do not think that the supposed illegality of the clause—and I am not to be taken as holding that it is illegal—in any way entitles the defendant to refuse to purchase the plaintiffs' porter and stout."

He thought also that the further point about the control and rights over the licence which the lease and the trading agreement purported to give the landlord (other than the provision for the safe custody of the licence) had no substance.

He was of opinion that the appeal should be dismissed with costs.

Mr. Justice Gavan Duffy, in his judgment, said that on all points but one he agreed without difficulty that the appeal failed, but he had felt some difficulty on the question whether the relations constituted between the parties by the joint effect of the lease and the trading agreement (which must be read together) were an infringement of the law, in view of the pronouncement of Lord Justice Holmes against an illegal agreement entered into for the purpose of making some person other than the licensee owner of the licence.

Provisions of the lease, containing, among other things, an express admission that the licence was the property of the lessors, the brewery company, were reinforced by a stipulation in the trading agreement, the main purposes of which were to preserve the licence and to tie the house to the plaintiffs for porter and stout.

"FANTASTIC CONDITIONS"

If he had no sympathy with the lessee, who was seeking to repudiate, he had none with the brewers, who imposed upon their customers those fantastic conditions, with a printed form of trading agreement to convey an impression of normality to the unwary. In his opinion, it was reasonably clear, on Lord Justice Holmes's judgment, that certain provisions in this case were illegal, if they meant what they said, and if they constituted an essential and an inseparable part of the contract between the parties. The statement in the lease that the licence was the property of the lessors was rubbish and had no value of any kind, except as a guide to the intentions of the parties. The same observation applied to the reference to the period for which the lessee should be permitted by the lessors to hold the licence.

The apparent illegalities in the lease and trading agreement were, in his opinion, too preposterous to be taken seriously. Without them there was a good and lawful consideration for the combined documents. Those illegalities were not an essential of the arrangements between the parties and ought to be disregarded, leaving the separate and lawful provisions intact.

He, therefore, agreed that the appeal should be dismissed, but he would personally be disinclined to give any costs to the plaintiffs, either in that court or in the Circuit Court, since they had brought the trouble upon themselves, and the difficulties which they themselves created made that a very fitting case for the defendant to have brought on appeal to the High Court. He thought that this was eminently a case for a certificate to enable the controversy to be submitted to the judgment of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Justice Johnston said that there seemed to be a difference between his colleague and himself with regard to the question of costs, and, therefore, the rule under the Statute would follow, and the appeal would be dismissed, with costs. He had grave doubts whether a certificate should be granted to enable the appellant to go to the Supreme Court if he wished, but, in view of Mr. Justice Gavan Duffy's opinion, he would be willing to give the certificate.

Mr. Lavery, K.C., for Messrs. Murphy and Co., said that since the injunction was granted in the Circuit Court Mr. O'Donovan had been openly carrying on in breach of the injunction, although it remained in full force.

Mr. Black said that he would formally ask for a certificate.

Mr. Lavery—Your lordships will not impose any terms?

Mr. Justice Gavan Duffy—The question of law remains.

The Court granted a certificate.

Mr. William Black, K.C., and Mr. John Kavanagh (instructed by Mr. E. Neville) appeared for Mr. O'Donovan; and Mr. J. M. FitzGerald, K.C., Mr. Lavery, K.C., and Mr. Maurice Walker (instructed by Messrs. Barry C. Galvin and Son) for Messrs. Murphy and Co.

CORK TONNAGE DUES

HARBOUR MASTER'S EVIDENCE

SHIPPING CONDITIONS EXPLAINED

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE HANNA.)

EVIDENCE for the defence was heard in the action in which the United States Maritime Commission seeks to recover £2,053 15s. from Cork Harbour Commissioners in respect of alleged overcharges in tonnage dues paid, under protest, on eleven steamers owned by the Maritime Commission for thirteen calls at Cork between November, 1929, and February, 1930, for the purpose of discharging cargo or of shipping cargo for America.

The Cork Harbour Commissioners, by their defence, plead that the dues paid in respect of the vessels were lawful and proper, and that the Maritime Commission are not entitled to a refund of any part of them.

The Maritime Commission allege that, according to schedules, they were entitled to the benefit of dues which were less than the normal rates, and which were applicable to vessels of a certain class and tonnage, which shipped or discharged less than one-third of their entire cargoes at Cork. The issues in the case are in regard to the meaning of "entire cargo" in the clause of the schedules dealing with the exceptions to the normal tonnage dues, and to whether the Commission's ships came within that clause.

The Supreme Court, it was stated, had decided that "entire cargo," as referred to in the clause, meant the ship's capacity for carrying cargo.

The greater part of the cargoes taken by the vessels in question from Cork to the United States consisted of Ford tractors.

The Cork Harbour Commissioners did not admit that the cargoes in question were in any instance a portion not exceeding one-third of the "entire cargo" of the ship concerned within the meaning of the relevant clause in the schedules. They alleged that none of the Maritime Commission's vessels complied with the conditions which would entitle their owners to the benefit of the special rates of dues.

It was further contended on behalf of the Harbour Commissioners that the carrying capacity for cargo of each of the steamers must be ascertained with reference to the actual character of the cargo carried at the times at which the dues were payable.

Mr. F. FitzGibbon, K.C., Mr. Lavery, K.C., Mr. F. Monks, K.C., and Mr. Good (instructed by Messrs. D. and T. FitzGerald) appeared for the United States Maritime Commission; and Mr. J. M. FitzGerald, K.C., Mr. Martin Maguire, K.C., and Mr. E. J. Smyth (instructed by Mr. J. K. Coakley) for the Cork Harbour Commissioners.

On behalf of the defendants, witnesses were called who gave evidence about certain shipping customs in reference to various classes of cargo. Some of the tractors were, it was stated, shipped in cases for other countries, *via* America, and these were placed tier on tier in the holds of the ship. All the tractors consigned to America as their final destination were shipped uncased, and, as one tractor could not be placed on another, the cargoes were confined to the number of tractors which could be placed on the floors of the ship's holds.

Captain J. H. Webb, Harbour Master, Dublin, examined by Mr. FitzGerald on the meaning of the term "entire cargo," said that, as a shipmaster, he would interpret it as meaning all the cargo the ship was chartered to carry. If he was sent to a certain port to pick up a cargo of anything which was specified, and he picked up that cargo until his ship could carry no more of that cargo, that was, in his opinion, a complete cargo.

Cross-examined by Mr. Lavery, the witness said that he would consider that a ship had a complete cargo of uncased tractors when the available floor space was filled with the tractors. He did not think that it was possible to carry uncased tractors by erecting any temporary platforms. These would have to be part of the ship and would have to be riveted to its sides. Otherwise a ship would not be allowed to go to sea.

The further hearing was adjourned until to-day.

MISSIONARY CRUSADE IN PRAGUE

His Eminence Cardinal Kaspar, in a letter published in *Lidove Listy*, Prague, expresses great satisfaction at the spiritual results attained by the Missionary Crusade organised in 35 churches of the city. "Days of Spiritual Renewal," as this missionary crusade was called, were realised at the Cardinal's own special request, and while it was in progress His Eminence visited many of the churches, and listened to the sermons. "I thank God for the result of the missions," he said. "I have seen with my own eyes unusual attendance in so many of Prague's churches—thousands and thousands of interested listeners to the sermons, long rows of faithful at confession, many civil marriages consecrated by the Church, many creedless people returning to Mother Church, numerous baptisms of children and adults. The blessing which the Holy Father so graciously imparted in the first days of the missionary crusade to the preachers and their listeners, has been followed amply by God's blessings."

CONSTRUCTION OF HOUSES

TWO PARTNERSHIP ACTIONS

DUBLIN SOLICITOR AS DEFENDANT

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE JOHNSTON.)

THE hearing of two actions concerning a partnership for the carrying on of building operations was begun.

In the first action the plaintiff was Matthew Manning, building contractor, 27 Brighton road, Rathgar, Dublin, and the defendants were James Vincent Brady, solicitor, Palace street, Dublin, and Alfred McKay, builder, 65 Strand road, Fairview, Dublin.

Plaintiff claimed to have an account taken of the partnership dealings under an agreement dated 13th May, 1934, and to have the affairs of the partnership wound up.

The statement of claim set out that on May 13th the plaintiff and the defendants entered into a partnership to erect and dispose of two houses at Belgrave road, Monkstown, Co. Dublin. The agreement provided that the profits from the building were to be divided among the partners. The houses had been sold, but the profits had not been ascertained.

The defence admitted the partnership, and that the houses had been erected and sold, and stated that the moneys received had been lodged in the Terenure Branch of the National Bank, Ltd., to the account of the partnership, to be applied to the use of further building operations.

After the disposal of the houses at Belgrave road the partners agreed to continue the partnership without a final division of the profits for the purpose of additional building adventures, and an agreement was entered into whereby the bank manager advanced moneys for the erection of a bungalow at Whitehall road, Kimmage.

The defence further stated that in January, 1936, the plaintiff and the defendant Brady acquired a plot at St. Agnes's road, Crumlin, for the purpose of enabling the partnership to erect and dispose of four business premises. On August 26th, 1936, the plaintiff notified Mr. Brady of his retirement from the partnership, but incorrectly alleged that Mr. McKay was not a partner. Before his retirement the plaintiff had refused, and had since refused, to carry out his part of the partnership agreement entered into by the three partners with the bank manager in relation to the repayment of the moneys provided for the erection of the bungalow, and had thereby involved the defendants, as surviving partners, in loss and avoidable liabilities. They alleged that the plaintiff, as the builder of the four business premises at St. Agnes' road, Crumlin, had withdrawn the workmen and materials, and had not permitted the defendants to arrange for the completion of two of the four premises, which were now abandoned and derelict, involving the defendants in great loss.

RETIREMENT

The defendants stated that they had always been willing to facilitate the plaintiff in his retirement from the partnership, but the plaintiff had always refused to furnish proper accounts.

The defendants claimed: (1) That the partnership was a continuing one, and that the plaintiff had retired on August 26th, 1936; (2) that the plaintiff's claim for accounts and inquiries be adjourned pending compliance with an order that the plaintiff furnish proper accounts to the defendants of the entire and continuing partnership.

In the second action, which it was decided to hear at the same time, the plaintiff was Matthew Manning, and the defendant James Vincent Brady.

The plaintiff claimed to have an account taken of the partnership dealings between the plaintiff and the defendant under an oral agreement of partnership, and to have the affairs of the partnership wound up.

In his statement of claim the plaintiff stated that in or about February, 1935, he entered into a verbal agreement with the defendant to become partners for the erection and disposal of four business premises at St. Agnes' road, Crumlin, on the terms that the profits should be equally divided. Two premises had been erected and disposed of, and plaintiff had partially erected two more.

The defence denied that a new partnership had been entered into, and claimed that the partnership agreement of 13th May, 1934, was a continuing agreement, as set out in the defence to the other action, and that Alfred McKay was one of the partners in the partnership for the erection of the houses at Crumlin. He asked that the action be dismissed with costs.

Mr. J. A. Costello, K.C., and Mr. W. O'B. FitzGerald (instructed by Mr. D. R. Morris) appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Nolan-Whelan and Mr. W. G. Fallon (instructed by Messrs. Joseph Gleeson and Company) for the defendants.

The hearing had not concluded when the Court rose.

LEASEHOLDERS WRITE TO PRESIDENT

In a letter to Mr. de Valera, President of the Executive Council, Mr. Eamonn Ginnell, National Secretary of the Irish Leaseholders' Association, states that branches of the Association have been formed in every county of the Irish Free State, and have now educated public opinion sufficient to warrant the Government's attention to the problem of ground rents. The Association indicates its willingness to submit proposals based on fundamental principles which are just and reasonable, and concludes by stating that the entire country awaits Mr. de Valera's decision that the Government will see their way to listen to the case being made for the leaseholders.

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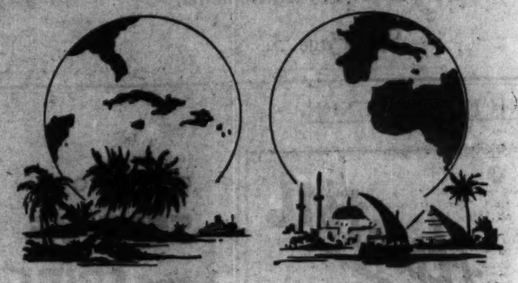

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LAW NOTICES—Wednesday, December 15.

AN CHUIRT BHREITHEAMHNAIS
UACHTARACH
(The Supreme Court.)

At 11 o'clock. For Hearing—O Conghaile v. Wallace and ors. (at hearing).

CLARAITHE NA gCOMHIRCITHE CUIRTE.
(The Registrar of Wards of Court.)

Before the Registrar, at 11.30 o'clock—Exparte applications; Barrett minors, pass ac.; settle report, Peter Fitzpatrick; settle report, Binchy and Son; statement of facts, McMahon and Tweedy; Roche-Kelly, minors, summons. Roche and Sons; statement of facts, Roger Fox and Co.; summons, J. L. Keane and Son; O'Brien minors, summons, Peter O'Connor; Kennedy minors, pass ac., P. F. O'Reilly; Smith minors, summons, G. Byrne and Co.

Before Mr. Magahan, at 11 o'clock—Vouch ac., W. Fry and Sons.

AN ARD-CHUIRT BHREITHEAMHNAIS.
(The High Court.)

In Court 6. At 11 o'clock. Actions (at hearing)—Manning v. Brady; same v. same and McKay. Summonses—Barton v. Bank of Ireland; Public Trustee Ireland v. Clarke.

For Thursday, 16th December. Motions—Independent Newspapers Ltd., v. Irish Press, Ltd.; Thornton v. Idron Trust, Ltd.

For Friday, 17th December (at the conclusion of the Bankruptcy list). Motion—Kenny v. Byrne.

In Court 2. For Thursday, 16th December. Action (further consideration)—Hungerford v. Hungerford.

TRIALS BY JURY.

In Court 1. At 11 o'clock. For Judgment—Alexander v. Hall and counter-claim.

In Court 3. At 11 o'clock. Non-Jury—United States Shipping Board v. the Cork Harbour Commissioners, (moneys had and received), at hearing.

In Court 4. Not before 12 noon—Circuit Appeals. Midland Circuit—Cox v. McTernan and ors.; Egan v. Chambers; Cox v. Moffatt; Upper Inny Drainage Board v. Campbell. Southern Circuit—Hayes v. Widger (W.C. Act). Eastern Circuit—Whelan v. Stafford and ors.; Byrne v. Staunton. Northern Circuit—Wilson v. Willain.

MAISTIR NA hARD-CHUIRTE.
(The Master of the High Court.)

Before the Master, at 11 o'clock. Motions of Course. Summonses — National Bank v. Clarke; National Bank v. Grace; Provincial Bank v. Toohey; Barker v. Molloy; Hardman v. Donnelly; O'Reilly v. Meany; Irish Ropes, Ltd., v. Hogan; Armstrong v. Barry and another; Henderson v. Cummins; Haight and Sons, Ltd., v. Ryan and Son, Ltd.; Wall v. Hely; Archer v. Somers.

On Notice—Dowd v. Kiernan; Dea v. Dea; O'Beirne v. McNaught; Revenue Commrs. v. Ryan (Philomena); Revenue Commrs. v. Ryan (Angela); Revenue Commrs. v. Casey.

BANKRUPTCY.

At 12 o'clock—Arrangt., ac. comp., Collins and Son; Meade, vch. ac., Hunter and Burland; arrangt., prove debts, J. R. Cresswell; Ryan, prove debts and vch., Crowley, Bolger and Cusack; Murphy, vch. ac., J. M. Scales; Todd, vch. ac., A. G. Rutherford; arrangt., ac. comp., J. Barrett; arrangt., vch. ac., Collins and Son; McGarry, vch. ac., Malcomson and Law; McGarry, inquiry, J. Fagan; arrangement, pr. dis. and vch., J. Barrett; arrangement, pr. dis., T. Doyle; arrangement, special pr. dt., T. Doyle; Meade, vch. ac., G. Byrne and Co.; Meade, ac. compn., Collins and Son; Lidmas, vch. ac., Montgomery and Son.

OIFIG AN MHAISTIR-MHEASAIREACHTA.
(The Taxing Master's Office.)

Master O'Hanlon, at 11 o'clock. Exparte Taxations — Faussett's Estate, Bourke, Carrigg and Loftus; Penefather's Estate, I. Thornton and Son; Thurburn's Estate, F. and C. Downing; Powell's Estate, W. G. Bradley and Sons; Darcus's Estate, Knox, Gilliland and Babington; Hall's Estate, Parke and McWilliam; Staunton's Estate, J. R. Peart.

Master Kennedy, at 11 o'clock — Sharkey, minors (G.S.), L. C. P. Smith and Co.; Ryan, a bankrupt, T. G. Quirke and Co.; McMenamin, deceased, E. and G. Stapleton; Kildare Co. Council to Osborne, R. A. Osborne; Grace v. McNamara, J. Gleeson and Co.; Grace to McNamara, R. W. McNeice.

OIFIG AN SCRUDORA.
(The Examiner's Office.)

Mr. Adderley (Room 104), at 11 o'clock—P. McCormack, deceased, Sheridan v. McCormack; Co.'s Act and Silevenamon Co-Operative Agricultural Society Ltd.; A. H. Reynolds, deceased, Northern Bank, Ltd., v. Atkin; Dublin Corporation and Lawler; M. Geraghty, deceased, Geraghty v. Moore; Co.'s Act and Radio and Electrical Traders, Ltd.

Mr. Comerville (Room 103), at 11 o'clock—W. Harmon, deceased, Northern Bank, Ltd., v. Harman; J. Kearns, deceased, Kearns v. Kearns; Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., v. Carroll; E. S. Coard, deceased, Coard v. Coard.

COIMISIUN TALMHAN NA hEIREANN.
(Irish Land Commission.)

Before Mr. Commissioner O'Shiel, B.L.; Mr. Commissioner Regan, and Mr. Commissioner Waddell, at 23 Upper Merrion street, at 11 o'clock. For Judgment—S. 24—Land Act, 1923—Estate of Teresa Beirne (S. 7572). S. 32—Land Act, 1933—Estate of Lawrence J. Kelly (S. 7648). S. 25—Land Act, 1936—Estate of Thomas Batters (S. 8413). For Hearing—Sec. 24—Land Act, 1923—Estate of John J. Heaney, deceased (S. 8130). Sec. 22—Land Act, 1933—Requisition of Patrick Kelly (S. 7809); Estate of J. W. Bleahan (S. 6344i) (Requisition of Mary K. Bleahan); Estate of John Mooney (S. 6344) (II.) (Requisition of Mary Bleahan); Estate of Joseph W. Melvin (S. 6344) (II.) (Requisition of Mary K. Bleahan). Sec. 45—Land Act, 1923, and Sec. 3 and 4—Land Act, 1929—Estate of I.L.C., formerly Wilhelmina J. Gabbett (S. 583); applicant, Anthony Mackey. Sec. 28—Land Act, 1931—Estate of I.L.C., formerly Sir R. Palmer (C.D.B. 9681); objection by Denis P. Healy to Vesting Order. Sec. 16—Land Act, 1927—Applicant, Mathew Graham; proprietor, George Smith. Sec. 14—Land Act, 1931—Applicant, John Reid; landlord, J. C. Gaisford St. Lawrence; applicant, Michael Kennedy; landlord, Col. Charteris. Sec. 44—Land Act, 1931, etc.—Applicant, Diarmaid Fawsitt; landlord, Royal Exchange Assurance Co. (S. 15853); applicant, John J. Donohoe; landlord, Alfred Grimes (S. 13836); applicant, Mary E. Bartin; landlord, David O'Meara (S. 15815); applicant, William I. J. Massy; landlord, Viscount Southwell (S. 15737); applicant, Elizabeth A. Hayes; landlord, Dillan M. Swan (S. 15210).

COIMISIUN TALMHAN NA h-EIREANN.
(IRISH LAND COMMISSION).

At Examiners' Chambers, 23 Merrion Square.

Before Mr. Sullivan, at 11 o'clock—J. Wood (S. 4839), discharge rulings.

Before Mr. Franks, at 11.30 o'clock—S. H. Darcus (S. 5123), discharge rulings and settle schedule. At 3 o'clock—P. Gaskell (S. 5143), discharge rulings and settle schedule.

Before Mr. Grove White, at 11 o'clock—Hartley (S. 11673), discharge rulings and settle schedule.

Before Mr. Spain, at 11 o'clock—T. Kennedy (S.8700), discharge rulings. At 3 o'clock—K. F. Browne (S.3466) (Russell Rent), vouch.

Before Mr. Mangan, at 12 o'clock—M. J. Head and another (S.7866), discharge rulings. At 3 o'clock—Reps. P. O'Grouney (S.7630), discharge rulings.

(At 80 Merrion Square.)

Before Mr. Lee, at 11 o'clock—Sir G. O. Colthurst, discharge rulings and settle schedule.

Before Mr. O'Byrne, at 11 o'clock—E. Hume (S.936), vouch.

Before Mr. P. Byrne, at 11 o'clock — Keefe (S.364/39), discharge rulings.

Before Mr. Shields, at 11 o'clock—Estate of Martin Kennedy (S.8495), discharge rulings and settle schedule.

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BIRTHS.

BASKIN—December 8 1937, at Hatch street Nursing Home, to Alice, wife of Ronald Baskin, a daughter.

BURROWS—December 5, 1937, at "Denmark House," Lower Leeson street, to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Burrows, "Glenorme," Kimmage road, East, Terenure, a son.

GAULT—December 11, 1937, at Magheraosllus, Raphoe, to Violet, wife of Gilbert Gault, Royal Bank, Raphoe, a son.

GIBSON—December 11, 1937, at 16 St. Patrick's place, Cork, to Mollie (nee Booth), wife of J. Sliven Gibson, a son.

HOGAN—December 13, 1937, at a Dublin Nursing Home, to Doreen (nee Chance), wife of Robert Hogan, a daughter (still-born).

KINCH—December 4, 1937, at Ballygahan, Avoca, to Kathleen, wife of Matthew Kinch, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

DICK and BURDETT—November 27, 1937, at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Lee, London, by the Reverend T. L. Chavasse, Water Orton (uncle of the bride), William Cecil, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. John Dick, Belleville, Rathgar, Dublin, to Frances Edith Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Burdett, Leyland road, Lee, London.

DOUGLAS and MINION—November 24, 1937, at Wicklow Parish Church, by Rev. H. St. C. Jennings, M.A., William, eldest son of Mrs. and the late Jeremiah Douglas, Killoderrig, Rathnew, County Wicklow, to Jennie, eldest daughter of Richard and Mrs. Minion, Ballintoskin, Wicklow.

WALSH and HASSETT—November 9 1937, at St. David's Church, Mulrankin, Wexford, by Rev. R. Browne, C.C., Glenbrien, assisted by Rev. J. Cullen, C.C., Mulrankin, James F. Walsh, Inane, Rocrea, to Kathleen L. Hassett, Rathronan, Wexford.

DEATHS.

ANDERSON—December 13, 1937, Granville, aged 17 years, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Anderson, Browne's Hill, Carlow. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing parents, sisters, and brothers. Interment took place at Seots Church Burial Ground, Carlow, yesterday (Tuesday), 14th December.

ASHMORE—December 14, 1937, at her residence, Skahanrane, Rathnalstown, Susan Ashmore, wife of the late John Ashmore. Deeply regretted. "Peace, perfect peace." Funeral to family burial ground, Lorun, at 11 o'clock to-morrow (Thursday).

CUTHBERTSON—December 13, 1937, in her 94th year at her residence, Hill Crest, Dundonald, Belfast, Alicia, widow of Joseph Cuthbertson, Townagh, Clogher, County Tyrone. Funeral (private, at Dundonald) to Clogher to-day (Wednesday), 15th, arriving at the War Memorial about 2 p.m. House strictly private. No flowers.

FINNEGAN—December 14, 1937, at Abbeyview Carlingford, Mary Jane Finnegan. Remains will be removed at 4 o'clock this (Wednesday) evening to Parish Church. Requiem Mass at 10 o'clock to-morrow (Thursday) morning. Funeral to Letterkenny, by car, immediately afterwards. Burial on Friday.

FLEMING—December 14, 1937, Eileen, aged 18, E. de M., dearly-be'oved younger daughter of Thomas Fleming, Shilleagh. Deeply regretted by her sorrowing family and relatives. R.I.P. Funeral to Kilquiggan to-morrow (Thursday) morning, 10 o'clock.

HANNIGAN—December 14, 1937, at his residence, Gurtnavee, Drumcollogher, County Limerick, Doctor Timothy R. Hannigan, R.I.P. Funeral (strictly private) at 1 p.m. to-morrow (Thursday).

HICKEY—December 14, 1937, at his residence, Kilker, Dr. Patrick Carroll Hickey, M.D. R.I.P. Solemn Requiem Mass to-morrow (Thursday) at 10 a.m. Funeral same day at 1 p.m.

JACOB—December 13, 1937, at Meath Hospital, Dublin, after a brief illness, Ernest Albert Jacob. Funeral from Meath Hospital to-morow (Thursday), 11 a.m., to Mount Jerome.

LEPPER—December 14, 1937, peacefully, at her home Thornfield Cottage, Whitechapel, County Antrim Anne Jane Harper Lepper, aged 100, only surviving child of Charles Lepper, of Belfast, and of Georgetown, Demerara, by his wife (nee Jane Heron, of Mayfield, Holywood, County Down), who was later Mrs. Robert S. Lepper, of Trainfield, Belfast. Much loved and respected. Buried December 3, after Service at Jordanstown Church, by the grave of her mother and step-father, in the old churchyard, Carnamoney, County Antrim.

LOWE—December 13, 1937, at Kingstown, Dublin, Margaret Anne Lowe, Lorgy Cottage, Clones, County Monaghan. Funeral from Clones Parish Church to-day (Wednesday) at 2 o'clock.

MADIGAN—December 10, 1937, at Liverpool, Henry Francis Cecil (Frank) Madigan, aged 56 years. Funeral took place from North Wall to Dean's Grange yesterday (Tuesday) morning.

MOLLOY—December 13, 1937, at his residence, Ballydrolid, Tullamore, Francis Joseph, dearly-beloved husband of Johanna Molloy. R.I.P. Deeply regretted by his wife, sister, and relatives. Office and High Mass at the Church of the Assumption, Tullamore this (Wednesday) morning at 10.30. Funeral same day at 2 o'clock.

TORLEY—December 14, 1937, at his residence, Main street, Leixlip, County Kildare, Daniel G. Torley, ex-Sergeant, R.I.C. Deeply and deservedly regretted by his heartbroken wife and children. R.I.P. Remains will be removed to St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church this (Wednesday) evening at 7 o'clock. Funeral, after 10 o'clock Mass, to-morrow (Thursday) morning to Esker.

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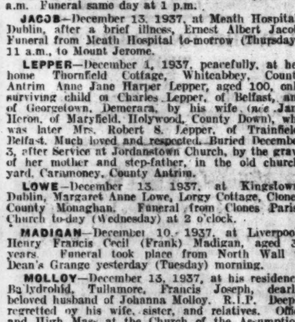

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Every such Creditor or Claimant holding any security is to produce the same at the Examiner's Office of the said Court on the 18th day of January, 1938 at 11 of the clock in the forenoon being the time appointed for adjudicating on the claims.
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Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 30 and 31 Vic., Cap. 54, Section 10, that the above-named Mary Eleanor Brew-Mulhallen, deceased, who died on the 27th day of June, 1937, by her Will dated the 19th day of May, 1935, bequeathed the following pecuniary legacies:—£1,500 to the Animal Defence Society, of 15 St. James Place, London; £500 to the County Wicklow Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals; £500 to the Canine Defence League, Victoria House, London, S.W.1; £500 to the Adelaide Hospital, Dublin; £500 to the Royal Hospital for Incurables, Donnybrook; £1,000 to the United Kingdom Beneficent Association; £500 to the London and Provincial Anti-Vivisection Society; £250 to the Dublin Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. And the Testatrix nominated and appointed the said Animal Defence Society her Residuary Legatees and Devisees.
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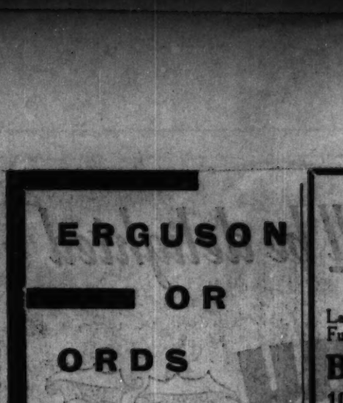

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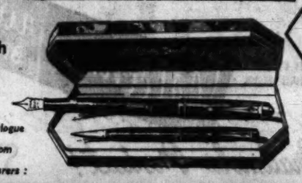

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FREE STATE TRADE WITH BRITAIN

FIGURES FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

The following are the principal figures of the trade between Great Britain and the Irish Free State in the month of November last and in November, 1936:—

EXPORTS TO GREAT BRITAIN

	Quantity. Nov., 1937	Nov., 1936	Value. Nov., 1937 £	Nov., 1936 £
Cattle (number)	78,965	70,292	797,715	631,278
Sheep and Lambs (number)	11,105	29,232	20,367	43,135
Swine (number)	6,375	11,541	31,970	45,169
Bacon (cwts.)	50,388	47,597	158,342	149,784
Hams (cwts.)	1,354	2,293	5,218	7,819
Pork (cwts.)	6,110	16,260	18,086	45,386
Poultry (dead cwts.)	7,300	7,485	26,400	23,888
Butter (cwts.)	5,571	28,204	28,472	99,596
Eggs (great hundreds)	10,392	9,838	6,040	5,023
Cream (cwts.)	3,411	3,813	18,133	12,598
Beverages	—	—	329,977	386,834
Animals not for Food	—	—	175,334	102,582

IMPORTS FROM GREAT BRITAIN

Beer (barrels)	6,228	10,547	25,545	37,196
Spirits (gallons)	20,361	20,547	11,496	8,960
Sugar (cwts.)	16,826	95,415	6,752	31,037
Coal (tons)	212,007	207,656	228,093	206,192
Pottery, Glass, etc.	—	—	55,094	53,085
Iron and Steel Manufactures (tons)	4,864	4,530	122,405	108,194
Non-ferrous Metals Manufactures	—	—	30,409	26,501
Cutlery and Instruments	—	—	42,452	42,584
Electrical Goods	—	—	49,912	58,109
Machinery (tons)	1,166	925	135,383	109,560
Woollen & Worsted Yarns & Manufactures	—	—	124,155	122,061
Apparel and Footwear	—	—	62,655	104,857
Vehicles, including Locomotives, Ships and Aircraft	—	—	145,630	116,178

FREE NIGHT SHELTER

REPORT OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The interim report on the St. Vincent de Paul Free Night Shelter, to be submitted at the annual meeting in the Mansion House on Sunday next, sets out the relief afforded during the year. Each man admitted to the Shelter is provided with supper, bed and breakfast, also facilities for having a bath and clothes washing. When possible, clothing and footwear are given to the most needy. In addition, on his admission each man is interviewed, and as far as possible his special difficulties are attended to. In the period reviewed in the report there were 29,559 admissions, and 58,997 free meals were served. In an appeal for renewed support the Committee state that the cost of provisions and coal continue to advance, and that subscriptions are more than ever needed if the work is not to be curtailed. Even now it would have to be curtailed but for kindly benefactors who enabled a small capital sum to be created.

All subscriptions, no matter how small, are gratefully received and acknowledged, and gifts of clothing and footwear are also welcomed.

BRITISH LEGION DANCE

The New Year's Eve gala dance organised by the Irish Metropolitan Branch of the British Legion, with the co-operation of the Women's Central Branch, is being held this year at the Royal Hibernian Hotel, and patrons are assured of a very enjoyable evening's entertainment. There is already a brisk demand for tickets, and early application is advisable, as numbers are strictly limited, and the price will be increased from 15s. to 21s. after 24th December if any are still available. The entire proceeds of the dance will be, as usual, devoted to the Branch Benevolent Funds, which are doing excellent work in the relief of distress among ex-Service men and their families.

WATERFALL TO WASHER

A tiny waterfall operating an electric power station serving a lilliputian countryside with tiny cottages, the kitchens of which are fitted with electric laundry equipment, will be one of the features of the Women of the Empire Pavilion at the forthcoming Empire Exhibition in Glasgow. The exhibit, organised by the Electrical Association for Women, is designed to show how nature can help ease the burden of the family wash.

THE SENATE BILL

PANEL NOMINATIONS

A series of Government amendments of a minor character has been tabled to the Senate Electoral (Panel Members) Bill, which will come before the Dail for further consideration this week.

It is proposed that if a member of the Dail signs, as a nominator, two or more nomination papers, both, or all, of such nomination papers shall be wholly void. The Senate returning officer will post up a list of valid nominations in a public place in the city of Dublin.

If the name of a candidate is entered in two or more provisional panels, the Senate returning officer shall retain the name on such one of the panels as the person nominated or his agent shall elect. In the event of the person or his agent failing or refusing to make the election, the returning officer shall retain the name on one of said panels to be determined by lot.

When the number of persons whose names are entered in any sub-panel of a provisional panel does not exceed by at least two the number required to be elected from the sub-panel, the returning officer shall adjourn further proceedings to a convenient day, and shall report to the Taoiseach. The Taoiseach will have the power to complete the sub-panels by adding additional names.

The death of a person whose name is entered on the electoral roll will not affect the validity of the roll.

The majority of the amendments are of a drafting character and do not affect the main provisions of the bill.

BOOT TRADE WAGES

NEW NATIONAL AGREEMENT

At a national conference of the Boot Manufacturers' Federation, the National Union of Boot and Shoe Operatives and the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union for the purpose of considering changes in the existing National Agreement governing employment, wages and conditions of work in the boot factories. Agreement was reached on all points, and the heads of a new National Agreement were drawn up, which will operate until December, 1939.

The main heads of the new agreement provide for (a) a forty-four-hour week, (b) minimum rates of wages of 64s. per week for males and 41s. per week for females, to be applied by June, 1938, with piece-work rates of 25 per cent. in addition; (c) the proportion of juveniles to be employed, (d) special regulations to strengthen and extend the existing machinery of conciliation and arbitration, and (e) variations in wages depending on the cost of living index figure.

The agreement provides for the continuance of the Joint Board of Arbitration and Conciliation, consisting of eight employers and eight operatives, which is entrusted with drawing up uniform piece-work statements for the industry, and generally authorised to regulate conditions of work and employment and arbitrate on any disputes which may arise.

The delegations at the National Conference consisted of:—

Employers—Mr. R. J. Hearne, President of the Federation of Boot Manufacturers of Ireland, and Messrs. McAree (Castleblayney), Fenton (Kells), Barlow (Dublin), Wiltshire (Dublin), Bartlett (Drogheda), Wilmot (Tralee), O'Neill (Dublin), McLerie (Carrickmacross), Cunnington (Clonmel), Dwyer (Cork), Governey (Carlow), Weafer (Westport), Halliday (Dundalk), Todd (Kilkenny), Grater (Drogheda), Cantwell (Sligo), Byrne (Castleblayney), O'Reilly (Emyvale), and Fitzpatrick (Birr).

National Union—Mr. W. R. Townley, President of the Union; Mr. F. Gould, National Organiser, and Messrs. Langton (Kilkenny), Cotter (Cork), Ware (Waterford), Jones (Dublin), Watters (Kells), Alexander (Dundalk), and Crilly (Drogheda).

I.T.G.W.U.—Mr. T. Kennedy, Vice-President of the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union.

Secretary to Conference—Mr. C. P. McCarthy, M.Comm., F.S.A.A., Cork.

CLARE MEDICAL APPOINTMENT

RESOLUTION SENT TO MR. DE VALERA

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

ENNIS, Tuesday.

At Clare Board of Health the Minister for Local Government stated that the recommendation of the Appointments Commissioners, that Dr. W. G. Murphy, Kilkerrin, Carna, Co. Galway, who holds the degrees of M.B., B.Ch. and B.A.O., and is a native Irish speaker, should be appointed as Medical Officer of the Craggaknock Dispensary District, was binding on the Board.

The Board, instead of acting on the recommendation, adopted a resolution protesting against the non-selection of Dr. M. J. Hillery, of Miltown-Malbay, "one of the most eminent doctors in the South of Ireland."

Mr. T. G. Burke, who proposed the resolution, said he did not give a button what the Minister thought; it was a shame that Dr. Hillery had not been recommended for this appointment. No matter what the consequences may be, the members of the Board should fight it out once and for all. He proposed that copies of the resolution be sent to President de Valera and the Minister for Local Government.

Mr. M. McMahon seconded, and said that nothing had given greater disappointment in Clare than the non-selection of Dr. Hillery.

Mr. Sean Brady, Chairman of the Clare County Council, said that President de Valera should investigate this matter. They all knew that the Local Appointments Commissioners were supposed to be set up to recommend the man with the highest recommendations, but he thought that confidence in the Commissioners was considerably shaken in Clare.

WOMAN RELEASED

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE O'BYRNE.)

Kate Duffy, Haggardstown, Co. Louth, who was charged in November, 1933, with the murder of her husband, Michael Duffy, was found to be unfit to plead, and was ordered to be detained during the pleasure of the Governor-General, was released from custody.

She was brought before the Court, which sat for five minutes for that purpose, in order that a *nolle prosequi* might be entered, and she was then discharged.

A Sportsman's Review

Irish Boxing Team in Germany: Strength of Hockey Qualifying Teams: L. C. Wilson Back to Form

By PAUL DENIS

Notable Victories

How small a margin there is between what appears to be an apparently heavy defeat and a draw in an amateur boxing international! The strongest team that Germany could turn out beat Ireland by six contests to two at Hamburg last Friday, but in two cases the victory went to the home boxer on his showing in the last round, when both P. Connolly and E. Smith appeared to be leading up to that stage. Actually the Irishmen did as well as anyone could have hoped, and the two victories that they gained were notable. Both J. Saunders and Sean Clancy have moved up a weight this season; so, allowing for a normal improvement during the next year, we have two potential European champions when that big event takes place in Dublin in 1939. Saunders beat Miner, who took third prize in the feather-weight division in the Olympic Games last year, while Clancy's victim was Mursch, the present European welter-weight champion and runner-up for the Olympic title. On this form Saunders and Clancy must be about the best men at their weights in Europe. Another European title-holder, Nuernberg, only just got the better of Smith; and McMullan, our new heavy-weight representative, gave the Olympic champion, Runge, a hard battle, so the Irishmen had little to worry about in their defeat by such powerful opposition.

A Cruiser-Weight Problem

However, there was one fly in the ointment—the one-round knock-out of R. Hearns at Hamburg, and his subsequent defeat on points at Magdeburg. I cannot recall seeing our famous cruiser-weight even knocked off his feet before, and these results in Germany may mean the close of his brilliant career in the ring; but we have not got a worthy successor even in sight. In the recent Irish championships Hearns was opposed to men of almost as long experience, but not by any means so much skill as he himself possesses. We, apparently, have no young cruiser-weights coming on, and it is a state of affairs that must be rectified. It is a wonderful opportunity for some youngster with ambition; for the man who succeeds Hearns will meet the pick of European talent not only in the various international matches next year, but also in the European championships the following year. Failing the search for a natural cruiser-weight—and the prospects will be tested in the I.A.B.A. competition for novices in the heavier weights early in the new year—perhaps the Kilkenny man, J. Herlihy, may be able to qualify for that division. He was very unlucky to lose the decision to M. Coffey in the middle-weight final at Portobello Barracks, and, as he looks to be on the big side for his own weight at present, he might turn out to be very useful in the cruiser class.

The Promise of Portrane

Last Saturday, for the first time this season, senior hockey teams met those in the qualifying league, and the results were interesting. Naturally enough, the defeat of Trinity by Imperial Tobacco Co. was entirely unexpected, but it does show that the latter are worthy of senior status, while the match between Monkstown and Portrane demonstrated the same thing. Admittedly, the records show Monkstown to be much considerably weaker than any of the other seven senior clubs, but in the majority of their matches their margin of defeat has been small, and in none of their ten losing engagements have they been really outclassed. Nevertheless, they had much the worst of matters against Portrane in the second half, and, to my mind, the latter when at full strength would worry any of the senior teams. The play of their forwards last Saturday was excellent, the passing being accurate and all the movements being carried out speedily. Once J. Lee, the centre-half, learnt to give his passes quietly inside, instead of hitting out hard every time the ball comes near him, as he does at present, the side would take a lot of beating. I think the Leinster branch made a definite error in not according Portrane, Clonliffe, Lido and Lerne senior status, and including them in the senior and Mills cups. It would improve their hockey, and they would probably put up a useful showing. If the qualifying system is to be retained all the teams in that division should be ranked as seniors.

A Return to Form

One man who came back to the limelight with a rush last Saturday was L. C. Wilson, who played an important part in Imperial's astonishing victory. Three seasons ago Wilson partnered J. K. Craig at full-back on the Irish team, and was most successful, his trapping of the ball on either side of him and his clean, hard hitting making him an outstanding man in the position. After the 1934-35 season he was dropped so completely that his international career appeared to have finished, but on his form at present he seems to be worthy of further consideration. There is a touch of class about his play which is very noticeable in big matches, and, even though he has not been chosen on any of the Leinster trials this season, he should not be ruled out for all the interprovincial games. Full-back play in Ireland is so strong at present that I can see a fierce struggle developing for the two places on the Irish team, despite the successful partnership of Craig and G. K. Donald last season.

K. O'Flanagan as Rugby Player

Even in this country of all-rounders it is unusual to find a man who is proficient at both Rugby and association football, but in young Kevin O'Flanagan we have that *rara avis*. He has been the outstanding forward on the Bohemians' team this season, and, while his selection to play on the right wing for Ireland against Norway in the World's Cup was somewhat unexpected, he made a most satisfactory *début* in international football, and showed himself capable of holding that place for some time to come. He is taking a medical course, and turned out for the St. Vincent's Hospital Rugby XV. against a useful scratch side at Donnybrook during the week-end, showing, I was informed, remarkably fine form both on the wing and at centre three-quarter. I believe his speed on the wing was most impressive, and, fast as he appears with a soccer ball at his feet, he looked even faster with a Rugby ball in his hands. As he has quite a sound idea of how to bring down an opposing player, too, he would not be long in making his mark at Rugby. At any rate, his displays for St. Vincent's in the Hospitals' Cup will be watched with some interest.

Irish Football Teams No. 11:—University College (Cork) R.F.C.—Front Row (from left): D. O'Riordan, R. O'Driscoll, J. Laycock, B. McKenna, F. O'Connell, B. Collins, and T. McDermott. Back Row: R. O'Neill, J. Crowley, C. Gresny, C. Teehan, S. Twomey, J. Griffin, D. Tierney, and St. J. O'Connell. In front: A. Attwood and D. O'Loughlin. (Next week: Instonians R.F.C.).

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But, rather to their dismay, the authorities found that the fish, so far as canteen regulations were concerned, had never been accorded its rightful place. It was not on a par with bully-beef or spotted dog. Its frying was not ordained a normal ritual, but was left to local discretion, and no specific equipment had been installed in barracks for fish and chips.

The matter was made the subject of anxious consultation between the Army authorities and the Office of Works, who are, in any event, discussing the whole question of barracks' electrification and equipment, and, as a result, it has been ordained that all barracks must in future be equipped with electric fish fryers. At last, fish has become official.

A WORD ON MATRICULATION

Mr. G. M. Huggins, Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia, speaking recently on his Government's education policy, touched upon the qualifications necessary for entrants to the Civil Service of the colony.

"We are convinced," he said, "that insistence on matriculation has deprived the Civil Service of some of the finest material available in this country, and we are determined that, so far as the Government service is concerned, there shall be complete equality of opportunity between the academic and modern high schools.

"I hope—and I believe—that business firms throughout the country will be ready to follow the Government's lead in this matter."

ROYAL SOCIETY OF ANTIQUARIES

NEW FELLOWS AND MEMBERS

Among the names of those elected members of the Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland at the meeting held at 63 Merrion square, Dublin, last night, was that of President de Valera.

The business of the meeting, in addition to the election of Fellows and members, included the reading of a paper on "The Long Stone at Punchestown, County Kildare," by Mr. H. G. Leask, Vice-President of the Society; a paper on "Clara Castle, County Kilkenny," also by Mr. Leask, and a paper entitled, "An Excavation at Glenarm, County Antrim," written by Mr. Hallam Movius, a member of the Harvard Archæological Expedition to Ireland. Mr. Movius was not present. All the papers were illustrated by means of lantern slides.

Mr. Movius's paper described the excavations by the Harvard expedition, in the course of which various implements were found on a 25-foot raised bench at Glenarm, giving further proof that that region contained material derived from cultures which had survived from the early Stone Age.

Mr. Leask, in the first of his papers, said that the stone at Punchestown was the largest of four similar stones lying within a circle three miles wide, near Naas, County Kildare. The stone was 23 feet long, weighed about nine tons, and had been re-erected and placed on a sound foundation. A small burial cist had been discovered at its foot.

The castle at Clara, Mr. Leask said in his second paper, was one of the most perfectly preserved examples of a sixteenth-century house remaining in Ireland. The tower was five storeys high, and the most important apartment was a large, well-lighted room in the topmost storey. The castle belonged to a family named Shortall, who had owned land in the locality from the thirteenth century up to about 1640. It continued to be used as a residence up to 1905, and had since been in the care of the Commissioners of Public Works. Mr. Leask also showed slides of the interesting castle of the fourteenth century at Ballymoon, County Carlow.

ELECTIONS

The following were elected as Fellows and Members:—

Fellows—Herbert H. Coghlan, Newbury; Miss Mary McM. Gaffikin, Newcastle, Co. Down; Thomas G. F. Paterson, Armagh.

Members—Mrs. Agnes Candy, Donnybrook; Eamon de Valera, President of the Executive Council, Dublin; John T. Donovan, Dublin; the Rev. Father Ignatius Gibney, C.P., Enniskillen; the Very Rev. John Lawler, P.P., Rathoe; Philip J. MacQuaid, Ennis; John Maguire, M.R., B.Ch., Florence Court; Donnchadh O Dubhghaill, Dublin; Sean O Suilleabhain, Dublin; the Rev. Charles B. Phipps, M.A., B.D., Ph.D., LL.D (T.C.D.), Killenaule; Mrs. Helen H. Robbins, London; J. Macartney Robbins, London; Mrs. C. M. Turton, Delgany; James Whiteside, Killeshandra.

HOURS OF TRADING BILL

REPORT TO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Government's amendments to the Seanad Electoral (Panel Members) Bill were considered at the monthly meeting of the Council of the Chamber of Commerce which was held on Monday, Mr. Frank A. Lowe, P.C. (President), presiding.

Mr. Lowe said that he hoped that under the scheme for selection the Chambers would be unanimous in the difficult task of selecting one from the many persons in their ranks fully qualified to be candidates for the Senate.

A letter from the Department of Posts and Telegraphs stated that conditions on the telephone service in the city, the recent deterioration of which was due to the increase in the subscribers and the all-round expansion of traffic requiring transfers of circuits, had returned to normal.

A resolution was passed requesting that where it had been decided to issue no further licences for the importation of a class of goods the subject of a Quota Order, six months' notice should be given of the date on which importation under such Order shall cease.

It was stated that the giving of such notice would not encourage increased importation, because the goods were already being admitted by licences under the Quota Order.

The Secretary reported that the Hours of Trading Bill reversed the present conditions, whereby a mixed trading shop can remain open to sell certain goods, but not others. The Minister stated that "where a person is engaged in mixed trading he is required to close at any time mentioned in any order applying to any line of business in which he is engaged." The exceptions to this general rule are post office business, sale of intoxicating liquors, medicines, etc., by a chemist, and meals for consumption on the premises. Those businesses are exempted from the regulations for half-holidays, Sunday trading and hours of trading, and shops may be opened for such business although closed for other business.

The President (Mr. F. A. Lowe) and the Vice-President (Mr. T. F. Laurie, P.C.) were nominated to attend a conference in connection with the proposed Industrial Exhibition in Dublin in 1940.

Legal Tender Note Fund

The amount of legal tender notes outstanding on December 11 was £9,355,048 10/- as compared with £9,706,554 on December 4. The amount issued during the week was £359,519, and the amount redeemed £121,124 10/-.

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P. M. Campbell—2nd Class Honours in Modern Literature.

C. I. MacLaughlin—2nd Class Honours in Modern Literature.

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MINISTER'S PLEA FOR BUILDING SOCIETY ENTERPRISE

POSSIBILITY OF STATE GUARANTEES

(1.)

(By ARTIFEX.)

WITH the possible exception of agriculture, the demands of the building industry for supplies of capital and labour greatly exceed the requirements of any other branch of the Free State's industrial activities. Yet, for some unaccountable reason, this outstanding group of activities, which involve outlays of many millions annually, appear to have received comparatively little attention from the Department of Industry and Commerce. The explanation of such apparent indifference probably lies in the fact that another Department—the Ministry of Local Government—is primarily responsible for the supervision of local authorities' and other State-aided housing enterprises, while other phases of constructional activities fall to the lot of the Minister for Finance, through the agency of the Office of Public Works.

Recent public utterances of the Minister for Industry and Commerce seem, however, to indicate that Mr. Lemass means in future to take a more lively and intimate interest in building affairs. One of his declarations made to the Dublin and District House Builders' Association—dealt with extremely important issues of housing finance, and seemed to indicate that he was not unfamiliar with certain proposals which were advanced some months ago in the columns of the *Irish Times*. Briefly recapitulated his plea to the house-builders' association was that they—as accredited representatives of private building enterprise—should make such financial arrangements as would enable the Minister for Finance to dedicate the State's building-finance resources to slum clearance and local authority housing schemes for persons who are unable to contemplate the payment of economic rents. He went so far, indeed, as to make it clear that, in the absence of some such arrangements, the Minister for Finance might be compelled to reconsider and revise the present bases of housing loans and subventions; or, in other words, to restrict the State's responsibilities in the whole field of housing activities. In that declaration Mr. Lemass issued a warning of dangers long foreseen, but now apparently imminent.

MINISTER'S PLEA ANTICIPATED

In anticipation of such financial stringency, and its crippling reactions on slum clearance and rehousing schemes, pleas were made in, and by, the *Irish Times* for the development of financial agencies analagous to those which have relieved the British Exchequer of many kinds of burdens which, in the Free State, have fallen entirely upon public resources. Facts and figures were advanced to show how, and in what measure, British building societies—with and without State guarantees—had taken the lead in providing home-seekers with many hundreds of thousands of homesteads on attractive financial conditions. It was shown that the lack of equivalent facilities in the Free State tempted—and, indeed, compelled—thousands of home-seekers to become urgent applicants for local authorities' dwellings which were primarily intended to shelter needy members of the wage-earning community.

SPECIAL SAORSTAT CONDITIONS

In advancing such pleas for co-operative finance due regard was had to the peculiar difficulties—economic, cultural and temperamental—which promoters of Free State building societies would necessarily have to face. Stress was laid on the fundamentally important fact that all efforts to promote industrial co-operative enterprise among Saorstat citizens had met with disaster; and the fact was faced that, failing the discovery of some new and substantial factor of safety, there was little hope of attracting private capital, on any sufficient scale, to co-operative housing enterprise.

As means by which such adverse influences might be overcome—by which public confidence in building society enterprise might be fostered—certain specific proposals were advanced. To such proposals the first official response come in Mr. Lemass's speech at the recent dinner of the Housebuilders' Association, in which he indicated that, in the last resort, the State would be prepared (presumably by way of some form of guarantee) to share in whatever risks building societies might have to incur in their efforts to provide Free State home-seekers with financial conditions not less attractive than those which induce British citizens to purchase upwards of 200,000 homesteads every year through the agency of building society organisations.

BRITISH EXPERIENCE

In submitting such proposals figures based on the experience of British building societies were quoted to show that house purchasers' failures to meet their engagements represented but a fraction of one per cent. of the annual instalments due to meet principal and interest charges. Upon the basis of such long and widespread experience the suggestion was made that a comparatively trifling annual sum paid by the Minister for Finance into a building society guarantee fund would more than suffice to meet building societies' risks of losses from purchasers' failures to meet their contracted obligations.

As further means by which the Minister for Finance could provide the annual sums necessary to cover the State's contingent guarantee, without entrenching on other needs or demands, the suggestion was made that the present scale of free grants to house-builders should be revised; and, incidentally, that substantial changes should be made in the conditions under which such reduced subsidies would in future be granted.

Since such submissions were made many new factors have entered into the housing problem generally, and more especially into questions of house purchase finance. Building costs have risen sharply; standards of comfort and amenity have advanced, and estimates of housing accommodation necessary to relieve overcrowding and congestion in larger urban areas have called for considerable revisions of State contributions towards local authorities' outlays on slum clearance and re-housing schemes. If regard be had to such changed conditions—to the reactions of increased building costs upon private housing enterprise, and to inevitable restrictions of housing output generally—it is difficult to escape the conclusion that radical changes in the State's present relationships with private building enterprise will very soon become inevitable.

RESULTS OF PRESENT SUBSIDIES

In considering such possible readjustments, regard must, in the first instance, be had to the present methods by which the State grants subventions to private enterprise. They are—(1) Loans to house purchasers under the Small Dwellings Acts; (2) loans and free grants to public utility societies; and (3) free grants of, approximately, £50 for each house of certain dimensions erected by private enterprise. If considered separately experience has shown that each of these methods has involved needless complications; that they have left themselves open to serious abuses, and that their collective results have been exceedingly uneven distributions of housing activities, dependent mainly upon the sharply varying attitudes and activities of local authorities as intermediaries between the State and private enterprise. While a few local authorities have exceeded prudent limits in making advances under the Small Dwellings Acts, the majority have failed to take any advantage of their provisions. While public utility societies have been almost unduly active in certain areas, corresponding activities have been notable for their absence in neighbouring districts. While free grants to private builders have led to tolerably good results, where local authority officers have displayed energy, technical competence and independent judgment, the fruits of such grants have too frequently been faulty design, and poor standards of construction.

Viewed collectively the consequences of these three methods of co-operation between the State and the house-provider have been (1) the need for closely detailed and costly supervision of building operations by officials of the Department of Local Government, (2) needless delays in the approval of plans and the issue of certificates, and (3) the maximum of State commitments in general for loans and grants, with the minimum of benefit to house purchasers.

ALTERNATIVE METHODS

Facing such recognised defects and difficulties, and their consequent menace to the whole structure of housing finance, one asks—is there any available means, short of violent reversals of policy, by which State finance and effective supervision of private building enterprise may be secured? One answer to that question, which it is the purpose of this contribution briefly to develop, is that such means lie to hand in the gradual diversion of State subsidies for private housebuilding enterprise from local authority channels to the agencies of a few efficiently organised building societies, some of which—like the Irish Civil Service Society, the Property Loan and Investment Trust, and the Educational Building Society—already exist, and which, *with the aid of strictly limited State guarantees*, are capable of wide and rapid expansion.

To illustrate how such expansions of, and additions to, building society organisations might benefit both the State and the potential house-purchaser let us take the case of the home-seeker whose requirement is a suburban dwelling, the cost of which was £800 two or three years ago but which has now probably risen to £1,000. To secure that house through the agency of a building society, or other financial corporation, under present conditions, the purchaser must put down £250, and face concurrent outlays on furnishing or re-furnishing, and removal and other incidental expenses. The most he can spare is £50! So that house cannot be sold, and the would-be purchaser is driven to add his name to that already badly overcrowded list of applicants for some local authority dwelling! Now, note the possible results! Either his application fails, and he remains without the coveted rooftree; or he manages to "wangle" a dwelling towards the cost of which the State has contributed free subsidies to the extent of anything from £200 to £300.

£50 DEPOSIT FOR £1,000 HOUSE

The alternative, if a building society was in a position to accept that £50, to give possession of that coveted homestead, and take the balance of £950 (plus, say, 5½ per cent. interest) in equated annuity instalments, over a period of 20 years, would enable the applicant to own his homestead subject to the following approximate obligations:—

Monthly Instalment to Society	£6 5 0
Local rates (say)	2 0 0
Ground rent (say)	0 15 0
Total monthly payments	£9 0 0

(As a not unimportant matter of detail, the monthly outgoings, owing to rate remissions on new dwellings, would be less than £8 during the first seven years.)

2,000 HOUSES YEARLY?

So much for the purchaser's part in the transaction. What of the building society and the State? We know that, even on the conservative basis of 75 per cent. advances, Free State building societies command only a fraction of the capital resources which would enable them to finance the purchases of, say, 2,000 houses yearly; and that without some form of State co-operation there is no prospect of such capital accretions as would enable them (a) to offer such attractive terms to house purchasers as those which prevail in other countries; or (b) to meet capital demands for considerable expansions of business. Hence the questions: (1) In what manner could the State most effectively intervene? and (2) What financial benefits could the State expect to derive from such intervention?

STATE ECONOMIES

If we proceed upon the hypothesis that it is possible and desirable so to apply the present State commitments (in loans and free grants) as to encourage the building of 2,000 houses yearly by building societies, the annual consequent savings to the National Exchequer might conservatively be estimated somewhat as follows:—

Loans not required under the Small Dwellings Acts, say.....	£1,000,000
Free grants to private builders and public utility societies to be withdrawn on 2,000 houses at £50 each	£100,000

Confining our attention to the latter figure alone, let us inquire to what extent that annual saving of £100,000 in irrecoverable State grants might suffice to stimulate and consolidate building society activities? If placed in a contingency guarantee fund would it suffice to meet all possible risks of purchasers' failures to meet their monthly or quarterly instalments to societies who would finance the purchases of 2,000 houses yearly?

DEFAULTS—ONE PENNY PER £100

According to the certified experience of the Abbey Road Building Society, their tenant purchasers' failures to meet instalments represented the circulating decimal of .003 per cent. of mortgage debts on a recent year's trading. Less than one penny on every £100 outstanding! Or, if applied to a ten-year period, net losses of considerably less than one shilling for every £100 advanced!

Now, the reader may very well ask—Why, in the face of such experience, have not Free State building societies multiplied and expanded? Why should any State guarantee be necessary? To such questions there may be many answers; but one, however unpleasant, cannot be escaped. Lack of public confidence! The bald and disagreeable fact that Free State investors are doubtful of the tenant purchaser's willingness or ability to keep his contracts with the regularity which prevails among purchasers elsewhere! As against such doubts in the minds of investors, let it, however, be said that the net losses which have been sustained by Free State building societies are also authoritatively stated to be negligible. But the investor's doubt remains; and would inevitably increase if initial deposits of purchase moneys were brought down from 20 or 25 per cent. to the suggested one-twentieth of purchase costs. Hence, the special need for State guarantees on the general principles which have induced the British Government to offer financial support to British building societies!

GUARANTEE AND LOAN FUNDS

Having regard to such special and general conditions we now reach the point at which certain practical questions arise. What should be the nature and the financial limits of such State guarantees? In addition to such contingent guarantees, what support, if any, should be given by the State? To these questions the following tentative proposals are submitted for discussion:—

(1) That the State should undertake to make good nett losses due to tenant-purchasers' defaults during the first half of their agreed purchase term—i.e., during the first ten years in the case of twenty-year agreements, or during the first five years in the case of agreements to be completed within ten years.

(2) That the present subsidy of £50 per house should cease to be payable in the case of houses financed by building societies.

(3) That, in lieu of such £50 subsidy, the State should contribute £10 per house to a Contingency Guarantee Fund, from which State-appointed trustees would make good nett losses due to tenants' failures to meet instalments during the first half of their agreed purchase periods.

(4) That a further sum of, say, £40 should be contributed by the State as against each house financed by approved building societies; the produce of such £40 contributions to constitute a fund from which State loans, at agreed rates of interest, would be available to approved societies in proportion to their State-guaranteed commitments.

A BALANCE SHEET

Pending the consideration of further details and aspects of such proposals—which must be reserved for a following contribution—it may be well at this point to summarise the aggregate results of the hypo-

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thetical figures submitted, in terms of building society outputs of 2,000 houses per annum thus:—

Annual State savings in free grants at £50 per house	£100,000
Less State contributions to Contingency Guarantee Fund at £10 per house.....	20,000
Annual saving to State	£80,000

If accumulated over five years the results—neglecting interest—would be: (1) A contingency reserve fund of £100,000; and (2) an available loan fund of £400,000 on which building societies, should they so desire, might rely for canital reinforcement. And, over and above all other State gains, there would remain the diversion of many millions of Small Dwellings Act advances to meet exigent needs for slum clearance and the re-housing of slum dwellers!

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MUSICAL ART SOCIETY

A BRILLIANT CONCERT

The orchestra of the Musical Art Society, conducted by Signor Ferruccio Grossi, gave their first concert of the season in the Gresham Hotel, Dublin, last night. The guest artistes were Mr. Bruce Flegg, Miss Marie Lillis Condron and Mr. H. P. Doherty (Cor Anglais). The programme opened with Beethoven's Symphony No. 5 in C minor, and the small orchestra of some thirty players was admirably balanced, and, except for some heaviness in accompaniment, gave a performance that would stand before most criticism. Their playing of the Beethoven symphony had strength and spirit, and in the beautiful second movement they achieved a serenity and tender restraint that was very appealing. Mr. H. P. Doherty was the soloist in the Prelude to Act III. of Wagner's "Tristan and Isolde," which followed. Bruce Flegg opened his first group with "An Evening Hymn" (Purcell), which he sang with an even, masterly phrasing.

Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto was played by Miss Condron. The first movement appeared to tax her technique somewhat severely, and there was a great deal of "slurring" and some uncertainty of pitch, but in the final movements she seemed to find herself, and the *andante* movement, especially, was very beautifully played. There was, too, a fine sense of rhythm and subtle phrasing in the final vivacious movement.

In the second half of the programme Mr. Flegg sang three popular arias beautifully—"Ombra mai fu," the famous *largo* from Handel's *Xerxes*; and two well-known arias from Mozart's "Don Giovanni," "Dalla sua Pace" and "Il Mio Tessoro in Tanto."

The programme also included Two Light Pieces, Melody and Scherzo, by the conductor, Signor Grossi. The scherzo was a merry piece of work and had the unusual distinction of including a xylophone among its solo instruments. There was also the popular "Dance of the Apprentices" from "Die Meistersinger," the overture to "Euryanthe" (Weber) and the overture to "Anacreon" (Cherubini).

APPLE SCAB INFECTION

"Conidia from infected bud scales and adjacent tissue as a main source of primary infection with the apple scab fungus," was the title of a lecture given by Mr. R. McKay, B.Sc., A.R.C.Sc.I., Department of Plant Pathology, Albert Agricultural College, Glasnevin, Dublin, at a meeting of the R.D.S. Scientific Society, yesterday.

A definite relation was shown to exist, he said, between the severity of apple scab on the trees in 1936, and the number of infected buds occurring in the dormant season, and also between the number of such infected buds and the outbreak and development of the disease in 1937.

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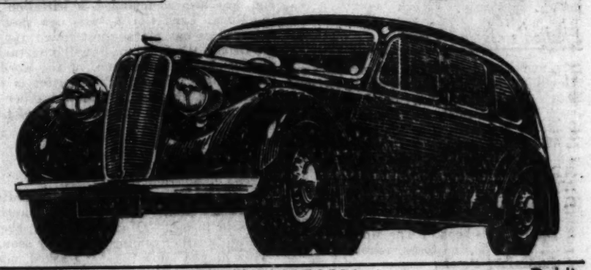

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Alderman J. V. Collier, Mayor of Northampton, died suddenly on Monday evening. He was on magisterial duties the whole of the morning and spent part of the afternoon at his own engineering works, but was taken ill at tea time and died a few hours after wards.

A surprising find of gold was made yesterday in a Newcastle-on Tyne auction room. The gold was concealed in an old mahogany press which had been sent to the room for sale. The coins, worth more than £280 face value, will be sent to the solicitor for the estate of which the press formed a part.

MAN FALLS THROUGH A SKYLIGHT

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William O'Toole (29), believed to be a native of Dun Laoghaire, was cleaning a window on the top floor of a house in North End road, West Kensington, London, where he was in lodgings, yesterday, when he fell and crashed through a skylight thirty feet below.

He was detained in hospital with serious head injuries.

Cork Harbour Board.—On the Lord Mayor's casting vote, Mr. A. J. Magennis was elected a member of the Cork Harbour Board last night, the defeated candidate being Mr. J. D. Murphy. The candidature of Mr. Vincent Harte was withdrawn.

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TARIFFS ON CATTLE FEEDING-STUFFS

QUESTION OF ABOLITION

In the House of Commons yesterday Mr. Oliver Stanley (President of the Board of Trade) informed Mr. B. V. Kirby (Labour) that he had received from the Seed Oil Cake and General Produce Association a copy of a resolution requesting him, in connection with any resumption of negotiations with the Irish Free State for a settlement of land annuities, to consider securing the abolition of the tariffs on cattle feeding-stuffs manufactured in Great Britain. The matter was being noted for consideration in the event of negotiations.

Mr. Stanley did not reply when asked by Mr. Kirby whether negotiations were really taking place on the lines suggested in the question.

Mr. D. G. Logan (Labour) asked whether a statement could not be made on land annuities?

Mr. Stanley said that any question on this point should be addressed to the Dominions Secretary.

ACHILL RELIEF FUND

The Archbishop of Tuam has received from the Ancient Order of Hibernians (Board of Erin), Glasgow, the sum of £116 17s. 11d., being the residue of a fund totalling £1,356 17s. 11d. collected by the Society for the Relief of the Dependents of the Kirkintilloch Fire Disaster.

He has also received the sum of £30 17s. for the same object from the Irish National Association, Glasgow, per Michael Fallon, Scottish representative, *Irish Weekly*.

These sums will be lodged to the credit of the central fund, for the distribution of which a deed is being prepared for the approval of the High Court of Justice.

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IRISHMAN'S DIARY

A Novel about Shelley : Major-General Sir Frederick Pile : Place Names in America : Hips and Haws : "Taxis" of the Past

American Place Names

In Ireland we are trying to trace the meaning of our place names, and, through their meaning, to learn the reasons which may have dictated their application in the dim past.

In the United States authority is trying to discourage the use of undesirably freakish names for villages and small townships. The work of discouragement has been undertaken by the American Board of Geographical Names.

Some of the objections seem a little severe, when names long familiar are remembered. It may be possible to side with the Board about Hobo Hot Springs, in California, but why object to Caress, in West Virginia? Why two villages should want to call themselves Coy beats me, but two villages have claimed it for their own, one in Alabama and another in Arkansas.

The American Board of Geographical Names may have a fellow-feeling when he re-named Lissoy (if it was Lissoy) "Sweet Auburn," and started a line in Auburns which has stretched around the world. One of these, it is in Ontario, may be called either Auburn or Manchester at will. It has been suggested that its inhabitants call it Manchester on wet days only.

Shelley's Irish Visit

I have read a good deal in my time on the subject of Percy Bysshe Shelley, from Hogg's "Life" onwards; but I never was aware that the celebrated Denis Florence McCarthy had written on his early career. The book was published in 1872, and is said to be a mine of research into the poet's Irish "contacts."

Anyhow, I believe that "An Philibin" (of whose mother McCarthy was a cousin) has drawn largely upon this work for the early part of his book, "The Moth and the Star," which is due to be published soon by the Talbot Press.

"The Moth and the Star" is to be a novel centring around Shelley, and I gather that a good deal of it will be concerned with that famous political mission to Dublin in 1812, when he scattered his "Address to the Irish People" from the balcony of No. 7 Lower Sackville street, addressed a meeting of the Catholic Committee at the Fishamble street Theatre in support of Emancipation and Repeal, and met John Philpot Curran.

Amelia Curran

The second part of the novel deals inevitably with scenes outside Ireland.

I am told that An Philibin has concentrated upon the figure of Amelia Curran, who painted in Rome the only portrait of Shelley that was executed in his lifetime. She formed a close friendship in Rome with Shelley and his second wife, Mary Godwin. Later—a curious link between the Regency and the Victorians—she was associated with John Henry Newman, the Cardinal to be.

An Philibin's material for this half comes from many sources: the poet's own "Letters from abroad," Lucy Madox Rossetti's "Life of Mary Shelley," and, of course, Trelawnay's delightful "Recollections of Shelley, Byron and the Author."

Knowing the author, I shall look forward to his book.

Leisurely Days

The recent changes made by the Commissioner, Traffic Branch, Civic Guards, in Dublin Taximeter Area Bye-Laws, 1937, reminded me of the charges for vehicles in Dublin in 1762, which I discovered in the "Gentleman and Citizen's Almanack, for the Year of Our Lord, 1762." This Almanack was sold by John Watson, Bookseller, "at his Shop at the Bible and Crown on the Merchant's Kay, near the Old Bridge and Bridge Street."

Life was very leisurely in that period. The traffic was not congested, though when the coaches and chaises were leaving for the provinces there was considerable excitement.

Coaches plied for hire in the city, and they could be engaged for a "set-down round Dublin." The hire of a coach to the following places was 2s. 2d.: Merrion, Blackrock, Coolock, Palmerstown, Raheny, Santry and Templeogue.

It was provided that "the Rings-end Cars or Chaises are to be hired to all other Places within SEVEN Miles round the City, at special rates."

Regulations were also made for Sedan-chairs. Thus: "A Chairman in Dublin to have three Shillings for a Day; and by the Hour, Twelve Pence for the first Hour, and Six Pence for every Hour after; and Six Pence for setting down any Person in any Place of the City or Liberties."

Sir Frederick Pile

I see that Mr. Hore-Belisha's Army "purge" has brought into prominence one soldier of distinction whose name would have been familiar to a former generation of Dubliners. Major-General Sir Frederick Pile, the new commander of the 1st (London) Anti-Aircraft Division, is a son of Sir Thomas Pile, who was Lord Mayor of Dublin in 1900, when Queen Victoria paid her last visit to the city.

General Pile was originally in the Royal Horse Artillery, but began to take an interest in mechanisation shortly after the War. He held an appointment on the staff of the Master-General of Ordnance and has also commanded a battalion of the Royal Tank Corps. His new post is regarded as one of the most important in the British Army, since he will be virtually responsible for the defence of the world's largest city. General Pile's sister is the wife of Mr. Ronald D. Carty, brother of Lieutenant-Colonel "Sam" Carty, of this city.

Hips and Haws

On one of the nice mild days preceding the present Arctic weather an old countryman said to me: "Mark my words, there is severe weather coming to us very soon." "How do you know that?" I asked, none too pleased with such an unpleasant prophecy. "Sure, didn't I see the thorn bushes crowded out with small birds today, atin' the haws as fast as they could go, fair gobblin' them they were—ay', we're in for a bad spell, sure enough." And, "sure enough," his words came true.

Nature gave the birds warning, so they stuffed themselves for all they were worth, laying in an extra stock of "fuel" to help them to withstand the cold. Nature's provision for the birds in winter is very wonderful, too. When the haws are all demolished, they turn to the "hips."

These only ripen by degrees, and, as the birds will not eat them unless they are soft, a steady supply of food is thus assured them for some weeks. Birds dislike the taste of hollyberries, and only turn to this nourishing food when everything else is consumed, and it is thanks to this aversion on their part that so many of those lovely scarlet berries are left to brighten our Christmas decorations.

Then, last of all, the ivy berries ripen, a special act of Providence, it would seem, in order to provide food for tiny hungry birds during the first cold weeks of early spring.

Bird-tables

People with bird-tables have been kept busy lately, when, with the first severe frost and the first fall of snow, a host of small, expectant birds gathered there to feed in blessed safety, far above the dangers that lurk below.

I often wonder why there is not one bird-table to every house that has even a few square yards of ground: it would provide so much entertainment for watchers inside the window pane, as well as for the little guests outside. A pole five feet high or so, crowned by a flat board with a raised edge to prevent the blowing away of crumbs, and there you are. Then some crumbs and suet, and your visitors will not wait long before accepting your kind invitation.

Take it from me, no one who has a properly planned bird-table—not too near a wall or an overhanging tree—would dream of giving up the pleasure of watching wild birds feed in safety.

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CARPATHIAN CONTRASTS

On a Ruthenian Mountain Top : Amateur Woodcutters

CORKMAN'S NARROW SHAVE : A FRONTIER INTERLUDE

BY NICHEVO

Fourteenth Article.

"Lads of the Village."

WE got to the top at last, after a climb that left at least one of us as limp as a wet rag. The last lap was by far the worst; for we were able to see from some distance away the little hostel on the summit. Naturally, we quickened our pace so well as we could, but my knees were giving way, and when I found that the last hundred yards up to the hut involved a gradient of about one in three my heart sank. But we got there, the Corkman doing the final fifty in a jog trot, and almost fell into the wooden shack, where a nice old lady welcomed us warmly. Her husband was quite a young man, who had served in the War and had been all over the various Austro-Hungarian fronts. He was a man of some education, who must have felt the loneliness of life on the top of a mountain rather keenly; but he was cheerful, after the fashion of all Ruthenian peasants, and he engaged us in lively conversation regarding the world, the flesh and the devil for half-an hour on end.

Rest and Be Thankful

Happily, the organisers of these mountain hostels know the wants of their customers. We hardly had crossed the threshold of the hut when Madame appeared with an armful of bottles of Pilsener, none of your "baby" bottles either, but great flagons of the stuff in admirable condition. There also was bread and butter *ad libitum*, to which we did the fullest justice. From the window of the hostel we could see the houses of Rachov down in the valley, looking so tiny that they hardly seemed to be real.

"How long will it take us to get back to Rachov?" I asked the man of the house.

"You might do it in an hour," he replied, whereupon the Cork man snorted.

"An hour!" he protested. "Sure you could do that in twenty minutes. When I used to go to Gougane Ba——."

Knowing what was coming, I stopped him. "This lad must know what he is talking about," I interposed. "We had better allow ourselves an hour and a half, because I am half-dead already, and going down will probably be worse than coming up." But he would not listen to me.

"I'll show you," he announced. And he did; but it did not turn out quite as he had expected.

The Woodman's Axe

When we had finished our beer—and when I say "finished" I mean it—we went outside to help the woman to chop some wood. While her husband had been talking to us in the hostel she had been chopping away with a huge axe, and carrying the sticks in huge bundles into a back room. They do things like that quite commonly in Ruthenia. In fact, the women seem to do the heaviest share of the day's work. I proved to be a hopeless woodcutter, and my respect for Kaiser William went up considerably when my big toe narrowly escaped amputation. The Corkman was even worse; for, with his herculean strength, he nearly clave the cutting block in two, and it took our combined efforts to rescue the axe. After this performance we decided that we had better make a start for home.

Having signed the visitors' book—again partly in Irish—we began our downward journey, picking our steps gingerly as we descended the steep path. When we got as far as the military camp the Corkman left us to our own devices. He had said that he would get to the bottom in twenty minutes, and, although a quarter of an hour had gone already, he was determined to create a record.

A Dreadful Thought

We were cautious, and took good care to follow the green paint on the trees and stones; but the Corkman informed us that he would take a few short cuts, and off he went. We took our time, sitting down at intervals to rest our aching muscles. About half-way down we were enjoying the utter stillness of the evening when suddenly, as they say in the newspapers, a shot "rang out." It gave us a bit of a start for a moment. Then a dreadful thought struck me. "My God, they've shot the Corkman!"

We had seen warning notices all over the place forbidding civilians to trespass on the military road. Now that I thought of it, those soldiers had been eyeing us rather suspiciously as we were going up the mountain, and the signature in Irish probably had confirmed their worst suspicions. The poor fellow! He was a decent man, whose company had enlivened our holiday considerably. But such was life. We could do nothing about it now, and our immediate care was to see that we did not share his fate.

Hasty Conclusions

The rest of our downward journey was completed in silence. We were wondering if he had had much pain; for we had our doubts concerning the accuracy of Czechoslovak marksmanship. We passed a couple of soldiers who were on their way up to the encampment, returning their hearty greetings with assumed *bonhomie*, and I was just excogitating the opening sentences of an obituary notice when we heard a great shout behind us, and there, leaping from crag to crag, more or less like a young chamois, was our gigantic friend crashing towards us.

"Did you hear that shot?" he yelled. "I thought they had shot the two of you." Did we hear that shot? Our hearts had been in our mouths for twenty minutes; which reminded me that his estimate of the length of time for the descent had been sadly inadequate. Actually, he had lost his way, because he spurned the precaution of following the green paint, and found himself wandering about on the far slopes of the mountain in the vague direction of the Polish Republic.

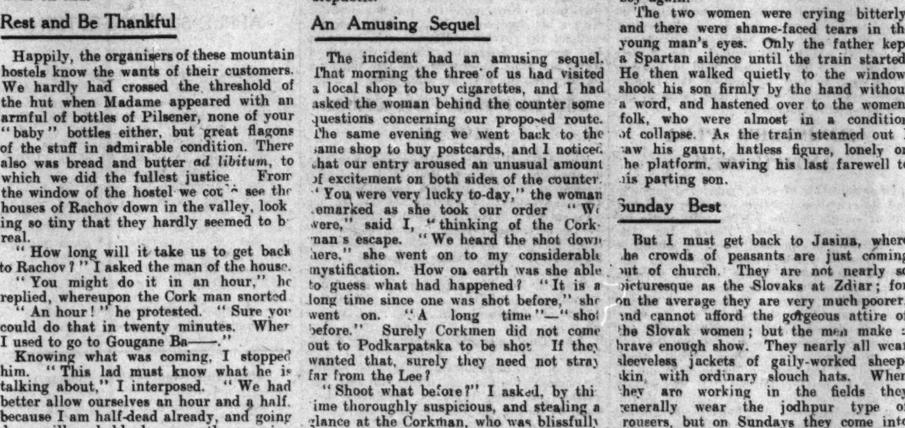
An Amusing Sequel

The incident had an amusing sequel. That morning the three of us had visited a local shop to buy cigarettes, and I had asked the woman behind the counter some questions concerning our proposed route. The same evening we went back to the same shop to buy postcards, and I noticed that our entry aroused an unusual amount of excitement on both sides of the counter.

"You were very lucky to-day," the woman remarked as she took our order "We were," said I, "thinking of the Corkman's escape." "We heard the shot down here," she went on to my considerable mystification. How on earth was she able to guess what had happened? "It is a long time since one was shot before," she went on. "A long time"—shot before." Surely Corkmen did not come out to Podkarpatska to be shot. If they wanted that, surely they need not stray far from the Lee?

"Shoot what before?" I asked, by this time thoroughly suspicious, and stealing a glance at the Corkman, who was blissfully unconscious of what it was all about. "A bear, of course," was the reply. "Didn't you shoot a bear on Dumen to-day? Everybody in Rachov is talking about it." For a moment I was flummoxed; but only for a moment. "Of course, of course," I said, "how stupid of me. But it was not I who fired the lucky shot." And I bowed politely in the direction of my Cork friend, who, probably believing that we were discussing the beauties of the Gaelic language, tacitly admitted the soft impeachment, and for quite a long time afterwards was slightly puzzled to account for the amount of interest that he was creating in the streets.

I may add, lest any of my readers might think that I am drawing the long bow, that bears actually do roam about in the Ruthenian woods hereabouts, and during the winter months an occasional lone wolf makes his appearance from the cold North. We saw nothing more formidable than a weasel.



A Map of Czechoslovakia.

Off to Jasina

On the Sunday we hired a shockingly decrepit old motor car—a tourer with ancient windscreens and a hood of sorts—and took a jaunt out to Jasina. Jasina is the *ultima Thule* of these parts. It is the last place in Czechoslovakia, and when you get there you have got as far as you are likely to want to get. It is an interesting place on Sundays because the peasants come in to the little town for miles around, right down from the Polish frontier, from which Jasina is only a few kilometres away, to attend church, and to fetch their weekly mail from the United States. There are no postal deliveries in the outlying districts; but two trains run into Jasina every day from Prague, for no other reason, so far as I could see, than to turn round and go back again to the capital.

Nearly every fairly well-to-do family in this part of the world has a relative of some kind in the United States. The Ruthenian immigrants are known vulgarly as the "Bohunks," in contradistinction to the "Wops" (Italians), "Spicks" (Spaniards), "Micks" (Irish), "Heinies" (Germans), "Limeys" (English), and "Polaks" (Poles). Nasty fellows, those Yanks! We saw the departure of one fine upstanding young lad from a wayside railway station, where a scene was enacted that, almost without change, might have been seen at any similar station in the West or South-West of Ireland thirty years ago. The boy was about twenty, dressed up in what would be known in Ireland as his Sunday suit, with a ridiculously small, soft hat on his bullet-like head. On the platform was his aged mother, a nice, old peasant lady, with a white bonnet, another woman, who seemed to be an aunt, a young and rather envious brother, and the emigrant's father, a big, sturdy Ruthenian farmer, with great gnarled hands and weather-beaten face.

Memories of Ireland

There was a fairly long wait at the station; but as soon as the train arrived the boy dashed into the carriage, holding on like grim death to his two pathetic little suit-cases made of imitation leather and containing his all. One could see, somehow, that a whole family—possibly, indeed, a whole clan—had been sacrificing itself for months, or even years, to send that boy to the land of promise. One day he would be sending money home for Christmas; one day he even might come back to his home, buy a little farm or an inn, and end his days under the shadow of those looming mountains, the spirit of which one could see in his young eyes. I had seen the same sort of thing so often at home; but out here it seemed to be far more tragic. Ruthenia is such a long way away from America, and the old mother knew that she, at least, would not see the boy again.

The two women were crying bitterly, and there were shame-faced tears in the young man's eyes. Only the father kept a Spartan silence until the train started. He then walked quietly to the window, shook his son firmly by the hand without a word, and hastened over to the women-folk, who were almost in a condition of collapse. As the train steamed out I saw his gaunt, hatless figure, lonely on the platform, waving his last farewell to his parting son.

Sunday Best

But I must get back to Jasina, where the crowds of peasants are just coming out of church. They are not nearly so picturesque as the Slovaks at Zdiar; for on the average they are very much poorer, and cannot afford the gorgeous attire of the Slovak women; but the men make a brave enough show. They nearly all wear sleeveless jackets of gaily-worked sheepskin, with ordinary slouch hats. When they are working in the fields they generally wear the jodhpur type of trousers, but on Sundays they come into Jasina in ordinary "slacks." Some of the younger ones, indeed, even affect a kind of "plus fours," worn with shaggy sheepskin coats—a rig-out which gives the impression of an American cowboy crossed with a young man-about-town. Incidentally, most of these Ruthenian peasants carry umbrellas, not so much to keep off the rain as to establish a sort of social *cachet*. The women rarely have umbrellas. They wrap a coloured 'kerchief on their heads and defy the elements.

The long main street would remind you of one of our Irish country towns. Live-stock of all kinds can be seen wandering about the gutters. The sanitation is extremely primitive, where it exists at all, and although there is one fairly respectable hostelry in the place, the conditions under which the inhabitants live are just appalling. Yet there was an air of gaiety about Jasina on that sunny Sabbath morning. I happened on a lively altercation between an extremely old peasant woman and a group of jolly-looking farmers' sons, as we would call them in Ireland, who manifestly were teasing her unmercifully. The whole group, including the old lady, were laughing uproariously, and jabbering away in Ruthenian, which I could not understand. I was trying to make out what it all meant when the old lady solved the problem for me in startling fashion. There were about five young men in a semi-circle around her. They were in kinks of laughter, which came to a rapid stop: for the old lady, having said her say, whatever it was, in strident tones, solemnly spat in the faces of her tormentors, *seriatim*, with unerring aim, and in really astounding volume. I could not keep from laughing myself; but when I saw her making a beeline towards me I legged it as fast as I could.

I had become separated from the Corkman, whom I discovered having a heated argument with a Jew who was selling fruit at a street stall. The Jew was wearing a black Homburg hat and was smoking a long cigar the smell of which apparently did not please our friend, who retaliated by puffing huge clouds of Irish shag smoke into the poor Hebrew's face. Neither knew a word of the other's language; but they obviously managed to make themselves understood; for the Corkman emerged from the encounter with a big bag of pears and what seemed to be about half a stone of grapes—and all for four pence.

We went into the local inn to have a beer and discovered in the ultimate "snug" a gorgeous figure in full levant. He was wearing a sky-blue uniform. His breast was ablaze with medals of all shapes and sizes; and the buxom barmaid, who was homely rather than comely, manifestly was regarding him with deep respect. He was surrounded by a party of other officers, less brilliantly equipped, but all patently full of their own importance. I was rather surprised to see them all drinking what were the equivalent of Irish "pints." If the man with all the medals was not a general, he surely must be a war-stained colonel; and colonels rarely drink "pints." I tip-toed out of the room; for I felt that I was intruding, and besides I had no desire to be arrested as a spy. A local colonel easily might think that myself and the Corkman might point the way to early promotion.

"Who is that officer with all the medals?" I whispered to the obliging Abigail who served us with our beer in an outer room. "Oh, him?" she answered in execrable German. "That's the captain of the Fire Brigade."

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ON THE WIRELESS

RADIO ATHLONE: Aonach na Nodlag Ceilidhe, 8.50.

B.B.C. NATIONAL: The B.B.C. Orchestra, 10.5.

LONDON REGIONAL: Scarlatti, 2, 8.45.

BEROMUNSTER: Sonata in D (Mozart's son), 6.55.

BUDAPEST: Philharmonic Society Concert, 7.10.

DEUTSCHLANDSENDER: An Irish Singer (Recorded), 2.15.

VIENNA: Croatian Music, 9.30.

HAMBURG: Christmas Programme, 6.10.

THE Harpsichord Sonatas of the seventeenth century composer, Domenico Scarlatti, form the subject of this week's B.B.C. Musical Series, the second of which will be broadcast from London Regional at 8.45, with Alice Ehlers at the key-board of this old-time instrument, the first ancestor of the modern concert "grand." Though Scarlatti called them "sonatas," he was merely using the vague general term of his period applied to any piece of music written specially for an instrument—just as all music destined to be sung was called a "cantata"—and listeners will find that in form these compositions do not in the least resemble the musically organised sonatas of Mozart, Beethoven and Haydn. Regarded universally as the founder of modern piano technique, whose forty-two "Pieces pour le clavecin" were long considered the highest test of pianoforte proficiency, Scarlatti was born at Naples in 1681, the son of Alessandro Scarlatti, founder of the famous School of Music in that city. He became attached at an early age to Handel, from whom he derived much instruction. He died in 1757, leaving behind him many compositions of variety, grace and charm, and a son, Giuseppe, who preserved the musical tradition of the family for a third generation by becoming famous in his period as a composer, not only of works for the harpsichord, but also of opera.

To be the son of a famous father is, however, usually a handicap from the start and a final overshadowing. Few who listen to the Swiss Station of Beromünster at 6.55 to hear the 'cellist, Hermann Busch, and Henneberger at the piano, play the Sonata in D, composed by Mozart's son, will have heard before of this musician. Yet the second of Mozart's two sons, while he did not inherit his father's rich, triumphant and universal genius, enjoyed high public esteem in his own day, and resembled his distinguished parent in the fact that he gave his first public concert, as a pianist, at the age of thirteen. His music, however, has fallen wholly into oblivion since his death in 1844, and tonight's sonata will be quite unfamiliar to most listeners.

Any indication that an Irish musician's talent has won continental appreciation is always pleasant, and, therefore, many will listen to the German Station, Deutschlandsender, at 2.15 this afternoon, when a programme of gramophone records made by a young Irish singer, Miss Eire O'Reilly, will be presented. Miss O'Reilly, who is the daughter of Mr. M. W. O'Reilly, who is well known in Dublin business circles, has broadcast frequently from Breslau and Deutschlandsender within recent weeks, and it is quite evident that her art is very fully appreciated in Germany.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMMES

RADIO ATHLONE—DUBLIN, 223 Metres (1,348 Kc.) (1 Kw.), **ATHLONE, 531 Metres** (565 Kc.) (100 Kw.), and **CORK, 242 Metres** (1,240 Kc.) (1 Kw.)

1.30-3.0—p.m.—Gramophone Concerts.
4.30—Five-day Serial for Children, "Tir na Deo," adapted by Mairead Ni Ghrada. Episode No. 2.
4.45—Musical Comedy Records.
5.20—Suggestions for Home-made Christmas Presents by Diana Kerans.
5.35—Sgathan na nGaedheal.
5.45—To-day's News.
7. 0—Organ and Vocal Recital, relayed from Donegal Parish Church. Choir (conducted by Rev. L. R. Lawrenson)—The holly and the ivy (arr. Cecil Sharpe), On Christmas Night (Vaughan Williams); Puer Nobis (arr. G. Shaw); May Latimer—Contralto Solo: The Holy Child (E. Martin), Arise O Sun (Craske Day), Organ Solo—Gladys Sweeney: Cavatina (Bohm, arr. Lemare), Choir—Lord in thankful love adoring (Schubert), Jesu, joy of man's desiring (Bach), Glorious is Thy Name (Mozart). Organ Solo—Gladys Sweeney: Gavotte moderne (Lemare), Choir—"Hallelujah Chorus from "Messiah" (Handel). Soloists—Gladys Sweeney (organ), May Latimer (contralto).
7.50—Patrick J. O'Reilly—Irish Dance Music on the Violin: Road to Lurgan, Best in the Bag (Jigs); Jenny Picking Cockles, Roll her on the Mountain (Reels); Clover Blossom (Hornpipe), Banks of Lough Gowna (Jig), My Love in America (Reel), Dunphy's (Hornpipe).
8.0—Irish Radio Orchestra and Bluebell MacFarland (contralto) — Orchestra: Don Giovanni Overture (Mozart). Bluebell MacFarland—Slow by the Shadows (Folk Song) (arr. H. Hughes), O Men from the Fields (H. Hughes), The Blue Hills of Antrim (H. Harty). Orchestra—Prince Igor Dances (Borodin). Bluebell MacFarland—Sapphische Ode (Brahms), Spring is at the Door (Quilter). A Blackbird Singing (M. Head), An Old French Carol (arr. Liddle). Orchestra—(a) Dance Macabre (Saint-Saëns); (b) Dance of the Apprentices (Wagner).
8.50—Aonach na Nodlag Ceilidhe, relayed from the Mansion House, Dublin.
9.30—Sponsored Programme.
10.30—To-night's News. Programme concluded by Light Music.

NORTHERN IRELAND—307.1 Metres (977 Kc.).

10.15 a.m.-12.0 p.m.—Regional.

NATIONAL—1,500 Metres (200 Kc.).

10.15—Daily Service.
Time Signal (Greenwich) at 10.30.
10.30—Weather.
10.45—Discovering Scotland: Joe Corrie.
11. 0—Frank Newman at the Organ of the Regal Cinema, Edmonton.
11.30—Luigi Voccili and his Hungarian Orchestra, with Louise Hayward.
12.15—Gramophone.
12.45—The B.B.C. Midland Orchestra and Robert Silvester (violin).
1.45—Harry Engleman's Quintet.
2.15—The Glastonbury Town Silver Band and Eileen Vaughan (soprano).
3. 0—Gramophone.
3.45—Children from the point of view of a Schoolmaster.
4. 0—Evensong from St. Paul's Cathedral.
4.50—Gramophone.
5. 0—Fiesta. Picture a Southern town en fête, with crowded Piazzas, gaily-decorated streets, cloudless skies and warm sunshine, and you have the setting for this programme of music by Mantovani and his Dance Orchestra. The Singers are Sicila Roberts, Ken Crossley, Nino Monte.
6. 0—Time, News and Weather.
6.10—Farming To-day. W. S. Mansfield.
6.40—Chamber Music. The Laurance Turner String Quartet: Laurance Turner (violin), Walter Price (violin), Aubrey Appleton (viola), Jack Shinebourne (violoncello).
7.30—Sweet and Lovely. A Musical Presentation by Peter Yorke and his Orchestra, with Helen Raymond and Sam Costa.
8. 0—Revolution in Russia. A Broadcast Panorama, compiled by Harold Temperley from official and original sources. Music arranged by Maurice Brown. Production by Val Gielgud.
9. 0—Time, News, Weather, and Forecast for Shipping.
9.20—Songs You Might Never Have Heard—No. 5. Grand Finale. A Programme of the Winning Songs.
10. 5—The B.B.C. Orchestra. Harold Williams (baritone).
11. 5—Tommy Kinsman and his Dance Orchestra will play for Dancing.
11.30-12.0—Gramophone (Swing Time).

REGIONAL—342.1 Metres (877 Kc.).

10.15—Daily Service.
10.30—Time Signal, Greenwich, and Weather.
10.45—Gramophone.
11.30—The New Victoria Cinema Orchestra.
12.30—Music in the Morning (a programme of popular light melodies), with Helen Raymond, Leslie Brian, and Frank Walker and his Octet.
1. 0—"My Cookshop Customers," Dorothy Garfitt will give her reminiscences of the days when she kept a cookshop.
1.15—An Organ Recital by G. D. Cunningham, from the Town Hall, Birmingham.
2. 0—The B.B.C. Northern Orchestra.
3. 0—Geiger and his Orchestra, from Claridge's Hotel, London.
3.30—A Pianoforte Recital by Susan Slivko.
4. 0—Gramophone (Variety).
4.20—The Bath Pump Room Orchestra, from the Pump Room, Bath.
5. 0—Children's Hour.
6. 0—The B.B.C. Northern Ireland Orchestra.
6.40—John Madin at the B.B.C. Theatre Organ.
7. 0—Time, News, Weather.
7.30—"The World Goes By." A Radio Magazine, introduced by F. H. Grisewood.
8. 0—Northern Music Hall: Variety from the Palace Theatre, Blackpool.
8.30—Varieties! Written composed and sung by Esther McCracken.
8.45—Domenico Scarlatti—2. Harpsichord Sonatas played by Alic Ehlers.
9.10—Midland Parliament.
10. 0—Time, News, Weather, Sport, Topical Talks.
10.25—Tommy Kinsman and his Dance Orchestra will play for dancing.
11.30—Time, News, Weather.
11.40-12.0—Gramophone.

MIDLAND—296.2 Metres (1,013 Kc.).

10.15—Regional.
6. 0—The Ernest Freedman Sextet.
6.30—Gramophone.
6.40—Regional.
8. 0—"Midland Parade" (No. 2), in which Variety Artists, of the Midlands prove that fact is sometimes stranger than fiction.
8.45-10.25—Regional.
10.25—"John Inglesant." A reading from the novel. Arranged for broadcasting.
10.45-12.0—Regional.

NORTH—449.1 Metres (668 Kc.)

10.15—Regional.
6. 0—Norman Shann at the Organ of the Regal Cinema, Chesterfield.
6.30—A Ballad Concert. Anne Broadhurst (contralto), Donald Hargreaves (pianoforte).
7. 0—Regional.
8.30—Civic Chamber Concert, from the Walker Art Gallery, Liverpool. Douglas Miller (pianoforte). The Merseyside Chamber Orchestra.
9.10-12.0—Regional.

WEST—285.7 Metres (1,050 Kc.).

10.45-6.0—National.
6. 0—A Pianoforte Recital by Moura Lympany.
6.25—"Up to London": Reginald Arkell.
6.40—Gramophone (Military Band Music).
7. 0—Regional.
8.45—Music of the Church. 6—Purcell. From Bath Abbey.
9.15—Western Cabaret, from the Royal Bath Hotel, Bournemouth.
10. 0—Regional.
10.25—Close Down.

WALES—173.1 Metres (804 Kc.).

10.15—Regional.
6. 0—"The Woman's World."
6.20—Tom Pickering (tenor): A Recital of Carols, O'd and New.
6.40—Regional.
7.45—A Talk by R. G. Berry on 'The Drama in Wales To-Day."
8. 5—The Breconia Gleemen. Freda Samuel (harp).
8.45—Twenty-five Minutes Dorothy Hornblow, the Sunny Hawaiians. Compere, Lyn Joshua, with Mai Jenes at the Piano.
9.10-12.0—Regional.

SCOTTISH—391.1 Metres (767 Kc.).

10.15—Regional.
1. 0—Scottish Cookery. "Children's Parties": Elizabeth Hughes Hallett.
1.15—Regional.
6. 0—Cowan Borgh Band.
6.25—Empire Exhibition, Scotland (1938). "Taking England to the Exhibition": Sir Alan Anderson M.P.
6.40—Regional.
8.45—The B.B.C. Scottish Orchestra.
9.12—Midland.
10.30—"Where Two or Three are Gathered Together." A short period of evening worship: The Rev A. R. R. Reid, Belmont Church, Glasgow.
10.45-12.0—Regional.

ON THE CONTINENT

BERLIN (D) (1,571 m.)—6.15-8.0 p.m.—The Magic of the Dance: Sequence with the Kermbach and Woltschach Bands and Players.

BERLIN (F) (356.7 m.)—7.0-8.0 p.m.—Symphony No. 2 in C minor (Bruckner) by the Station Orchestra and Leipzig Symphony Orchestra.

BRUSSELS I. (483.9 m.)—8.0-10.0 p.m.—"The Grand Duchess of Gerolstein," Opéra-bouffe in three acts (Offenbach).

BRUSSELS II. (321.9 m.)—8.0-9.30 p.m.—Flemish Composers: Orchestral Concert, with Songs.

BUDAPEST (549.5 m.)—7.10-9.15 p.m.—The Philharmonic Society's Concert, from the Royal Hungarian Opera. Conductor, Furtwangler.

MUNICH (405.4 m.)—9.20-10.0 p.m.—Emmi Leisner (contralto) and Rauchelsen (piano), with the Berlin Opera Wind Instrument Ensemble. Schumann and Mozart Music.

RADIO PARIS (1,648 m.)—9.0-10.30 p.m.—"Les ondes de Paris," Revue, with the Bouillon Orchestra and Soloists.

STOCKHOLM (426.1 m.)—4.5-4.30 p.m.—Recital by Anita Harrison and Witkovsky (two pianos).

STRASBOURG (349.2 m.)—8.30-10.35 p.m.—Concert from Metz Conservatoire by the Conservatoire Orchestra, Choir and Soloists.

STUTTGART (522.6 m.)—8.30-9.0 p.m.—"Rosario la Tirana," Spanish Ballet (Manén), conducted by the composer.

VIENNA (506.8 m.)—9.20-10.30 p.m.—Croatian Music by the Prosvjeta Tamburizza Band and Soloists.

TO-MORROW

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1.30-3.0—Gramophone Concert.
5.30—Five-day Serial for Children: "Tir na Deo," adapted by Mairead Ni Ghrada. Episode No. 3.
5.45—Choral and Orchestral Concert relayed from Presentation Convent, Mountmellick. Orchestra: Fuin: Gheadealachn (Moore's Melodies); Trachtas, An Scoil s' againn-ne. Orchestra: Air a danser (Gossec). Amhran: An londubh agus an ceirseach. Orchestra: Menuett (Mozart). Violin Solo: Hungarian Dance (Brahms) Aithristeoireacht. Amhran: An madaidin ruadh. Instrumental Trio: Serenade (Schubert). Amhran Solo: Maire Ni Ghadhra. Violin Solo: Souvenir (Drdla). Fuireann coir: An drucht ceoidh. Orchestra, with Vocal Chorus: Christmas Overture, Stille Nacht (Gruber).
8.35—Sgathan na nGaedheal.
8.45—To-day's News.
7. 0—"Cork To-night." An All-in Programme from the Southern Capital, presented by Cusex, in nine scenes: Glanmire Terminus, the Opera House, Patrick street, the Courthouse, An Scoruidheacht, the Little Theatre, the Club, Arcadia Ballroom Trio—Nora O'Callaghan (soprano), Christy Sheehan (baritone), Ditys Seymour (contralto), with Anthony Moffitt (piano): Clouds across the Moon (Moffitt), I beg of you this hour (do.), Sing, I command (do.). John J. Horgan: Our Musical and Literary Tradition. James and John in Humour at the Piano. H. P. F. Donegan: A Yachtsman's Paradise. Tim O'Donoghue, M.A.: Musings of a County Councillor. Scoruidheacht, with University Choral Society: Sean Curtein (amhran), Geraldine Neeson (piano), Seamus O Maitghamhna (fiddle) (compered and produced by Sean Neeson). The Cork Little Theatre in "The Peering of Things" (first production), a new comedy-drama of the present. Richard Wallace: The Story of the Lee. Pat Crowley and Band from Arcadia Ballroom: Ceilidhe, Modern and Old-time Dance Music, with the Corkman who came back, the Dubliner (Derty Fagan) the Jarvey (Charles Archer).
9.30—Sponsored Programme.
10.30—William Norton, T.D.: Christmas for the Postal Worker.
10.35—To-night's News.

NORTHERN IRELAND—307.1 Metres (977 Kc.).

10.15—Regional.
6. 0—Don Wilson's Grancent Light Orchestra, directed by Fred Wilkinson, from the Grand Central Hotel, Belfast.
6.40—Regional.
7.30—The B.B.C. Northern Ireland Orchestra, Graham Craig (tenor).
8.30—"The White Cockatoo," from "The Irish R.M. and his Experiences," by Somerville and Ross. Read by Denis Johnston.
8.40—A Hymn Recital from the Parish Church, Ballymoney.
9. 0—The Harp Trio, Muriel Childe (contralto).
9.45—"In the Steps of St. Columba," the Very Rev. R. G. S. King, Dean of Derry.
10. 0-12. 0—Regional.

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THE SHOP ASSISTANTS' BILL

MANY LABOUR AMENDMENTS

CASE OF CLERICAL WORKERS

CLASSES COVERED BY THE MEASURE

ON the Committee stage of the Shop Assistants (Conditions of Employment) (No. 2) Bill, 1937, in the Dail yesterday,

Mr. A. HERON (Lab., Co. Dublin) moved an amendment to the title of the bill proposing that the title should be Shops (Conditions of Employment) Bill. He said that the existing title referred only to assistants and would not affect all shop workers.

The amendment was accepted.

Mr. W. O'BRIEN (Lab., Tipperary) moved an amendment to extend the provisions of the bill to people employed in cinemas and theatres.

Mr. LEMASS said that, while he recognised the need for the regulation of the working hours and general conditions of persons employed in theatres and cinemas, he felt that that bill would be an inappropriate place to affect the change. He hoped to introduce at an early date a bill to deal with people employed in the entertainment business generally. It was his intention to cover all classes of workers before the whole code was completed.

The amendment was withdrawn.

STRUCTURAL ALTERATIONS

On the provision relating to the structural alteration of premises, Mr. H. M. DOCKRELL (U.I., Dublin County) said that there were a number of cases where extensive alterations might have to be carried out. These would impose a great hardship on the owners, and he thought that the matter should be decided, not on what the premises were adapted for, but on what they were used for.

Mr. LEMASS said that he thought there was something in the deputy's point, that until such proposals were enacted in a bill of that kind they should have regard only to the use made of the premises without regard to the structure.

Mr. S. R. MINCH (U.I., Carlow-Kildare) said that there was no doubt that in the majority of the county districts structural alterations which might be considered in the Acts passed by the Dail would be wholly impracticable.

Mr. LEMASS said that he would consider the point before the report stage.

Mr. A. HERON (Lab., Dublin County) moved an amendment to bring within the provisions of the bill all persons employed in shops indoor as well as outdoor.

Mr. LEMASS said that the amendment would mean dealing with commercial travellers, canvassers and messengers, to which the bill did not refer.

The amendment was withdrawn.

CLERICAL WORKERS

On another amendment, also brought forward by Mr. Heron, dealing with clerical workers, Mr. LEMASS said that he did not intend to include clerical workers in shops in the bill, although the Trade Union Congress had urged that these people were most deserving of attention. A certain class would require the protection of such legislation. The type of clerical work which did not come within the bill was the clerical worker in the accountancy house, which was distinct and separate from the shop. It might be desirable to promote some wage control machinery to cover those cases.

Persons who had a direct association with the trading of a shop, such as cashiers or clerks in the shop itself, were covered in the bill.

Mr. S. MINCH (U.I., Kildare) said that the clerical workers were the worst paid body of workers in the country. They required protection more than did any other group of workers.

The amendment was withdrawn.

Mr. LEMASS mentioned that various problems arising out of the bill would have to be considered, and their intention was simply to have the Committee stage concluded this week, and re-commit the bill when the Dail met shortly after Christmas.

EMPLOYERS' RELATIVES

Mr. HERON moved an amendment to limit the definition of relatives, particularly of the younger generation of the shopkeepers, who would be exempt from the bill.

Mr. LEMASS said that where relatives were residing with the shopkeeper they could be regarded as so intimately associated with the business that it would be unfair to bring them in under the Act or to compel them to come to the Department to have their rates of wages hours of working, and periods of holidays fixed.

Mr. G. L. McGOWAN (Labour, County Dublin) said that an advantage was given to the shopkeeper who used his relatives instead of employing assistants.

Mr. H. M. DOCKRELL (U.I., Dublin County) said he had a great deal of sympathy with the Minister's outlook on these amendments. It seemed to him that enough had not been made of this point. Why should not the relatives get the same conditions in hours as the shop assistants?

Mr. LEMASS said it would be obviously unwise to adopt an amendment which meant that sons and daughters and people of that degree of relationship would be put in exactly the same position as salaried employés.

The amendment was withdrawn, as was a further amendment by Mr. FitzGerald-Kenney to include in the definition of those relatives exempt from the provisions of the bill, such persons as nephews and nieces of the proprietors.

EMPLOYMENT OF JUVENILES

Mr. LAWLOR (Labour, Dublin City S.) moved an amendment the purpose of which was to raise the age of employment of juveniles from 14 years to 15 years.

Mr. LEMASS said that the general problem associated with juvenile employment could not be dealt with piecemeal, but a beginning must be made at some other point than the restriction of employment of juveniles. The only effect of the adoption of the amendment would be to prevent persons between the ages of 14 and 15 years getting employment in shops, but not from getting employment, and he was not sure if that were desirable. He thought it would be wrong to start by restricting the age of entry into industrial and commercial employment. A start must obviously be made by raising the school-leaving age, and that could not be done without a great deal of preliminary work and expense.

The amendment was withdrawn.

Mr. NORTON moved an amendment aimed at securing that the expression "shop work" should mean work including work of an accountant clerk or other person employed in an office connected with or ancillary to the work of the shop.

Mr. LEMASS said that the bill did not clude clerks who, although employed in a shop, were doing the same work as if they were employed in a factory, insurance office or betting office. Persons doing work in the retail trade were covered by the bill. Anyone who worked in the shop was in the bill, but there was a distinction between the shop and the office.

The House divided on the amendment, which was defeated by 63 to 33 votes.

SHOP CLEANERS

Mr. W. O'BRIEN (Lab., Tipperary) moved an amendment to have cleaners brought within the scope of the bill.

Mr. LEMASS said that if charwomen formed the class which the deputy had in mind he did not think they could be appropriately dealt with in the bill. Subject to certain contingencies, he intended to introduce a general measure to cover all classes, with obvious exceptions, early next year.

The amendment was withdrawn.

RIVALS TO PUBLIC-HOUSES

Mr. FitzGERALD-KENNEY introduced an amendment, the object of which was, he said, to bring a certain class of club on the same basis as ordinary licensed premises. The class of clubs to which he referred were not, he said, social clubs, such as golf clubs, but clubs which were rivals to public-houses—clubs, of which there were many in the city, which were simply public-houses under another name.

Mr. LEMASS said that he thought the deputy had in mind certain so-called clubs which purported to be carried on not for the purpose of gain, but which were, in fact, carried on for the purposes of gain, and were rivals to public-houses. It would be difficult to bring such clubs under the bill, and at the same time leave out *bona fide* institutions.

Mr. FitzGERALD-KENNEY asked the Minister to see if the Parliamentary draughtsmen could devise some formula to take in some classes of clubs, and at the same time exempt others. He withdrew the amendment.

Progress was reported.

FRESH MEAT BILL

THE QUESTION OF REGISTRATION

Speaking to the second stage of the Agricultural Produce (Fresh Meat) (Amendment) Bill, 1937, Dr. J. RYAN, Minister for Agriculture, said everybody would agree there should be some discretion left to the Minister to refuse an application for registration where there existed already adequate facilities for the disposal of meat. There were thirty-eight premises registered at the moment. Thirty-four were exporting pork and sixteen exporting mutton and lamb, and he believed that three premises had exporters' licences. At the moment nobody was exporting fresh beef because of the British prohibition of imports for the last five years.

The bill sought to remove, as from July last, the obligation on an application to lodge £12 10s. where he already had a licence under the Bacon Act, and also it was intended not to charge the minimum fee in respect of fresh meat exporters' licences where the applicant was already holder of a bacon licence.

MINISTER'S POWER

Dealing with the discretionary power of the Minister in regard to granting licences, Mr. W. T. COSGRAVE (U.I., Cork) said the only explanation they got for taking away at a moment's notice rights that had existed for many years was that the price of pigs would not be increased. What was the sum total of all the bills they had had during recent years? In the last year their exports of live pigs totalled a value of £430,000, as compared with £2,158,000 in 1931. All the new impositions—new officials, multiphcity of inspectors, and so on—had increased the cost of everything to the consumer, but had not added a single farthing to the price the farmer was getting. He would like the Minister to say how much the unfortunate pig had to carry on his back as well as the lean and the fat.

Mr. M. BRENNAN asked was the object of the bill the checking of an abuse.

Replying to the debate, Dr. RYAN said the cost of this legislation was 6d. per pig, which was not high for ensuring that people would be absolutely sure of getting wholesome bacon if they bought Irish bacon. Not an ounce of bacon would leave an Irish factory without having been examined by a veterinary surgeon.

The bill passed its second stage, and the Committee stage was fixed for Thursday next.

NATIONALITY BILL

The Irish Nationality and Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 1937, passed through all its stages in the Dail yesterday.

Moving the second reading of the bill, President DE VALERA said it was intended to amend the 1935 Act so as to allow a certain class of application to be considered. Under the 1935 Act all applications had to be received before the 9th of April, 1937, but since that date 608 applications had been received from persons born in Ireland before December 6th, 1922, or born of parents one of whom was born in Ireland before that date and not eligible for registration under Article 3 of the old Constitution.

Mr. NORTON (Lab., Kildare) asked how many persons, not of Irish blood, had received citizenship under the 1935 Act.

President DE VALERA said that ninety aliens had been granted citizenship, but he would have full information circulated.

The House adjourned until 3 p.m. to-day.

BEET-GROWERS REJECT OFFER

WILL NOT TAKE LESS THAN 45/- PER TON

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

TUAM, Tuesday.

Tuam Beet-Growers' Association to-day adopted a resolution stating that the Tuam Board are in full agreement with the Council's sub-committee in rejecting the sugar company's offer of 40s. for the 1938 crop, and asked the Minister for Agriculture to intervene to secure an economic price. The meeting considered that the price in Ireland should be at least from one to two shillings in advance of the English price, and that the flat rate price in Ireland should be at least equal to the basic price in England. The price, they believed, should not be less than 45s. per ton, with free pulp as heretofore.

Chairman (Mr. J. Haverty)—The Sugar Company say that from a financial point of view their hands were tied after making the offer of 40s. The greatest difficulty in the Tuam area was the freight charges. If a maximum rate of 7s. could be obtained it would be a great advantage.

Cork Appointments.—Mr. W. J. Geraghty, Limerick, has been appointed assistant engineer in Cork City at a salary of £350, rising to £500; Mr. P. F. Coveney, Cork, quantity surveyor, and Messrs. McAteer and McEntee, Dublin, consulting engineers for the erection of the proposed fever hospital.

COCKTAIL PARTY

DR. AND MRS. BETHEL SOLOMONS "AT HOME"

Dr. and Mrs. Bethel Solomons gave a cocktail party at 42 Fitzwilliam Square yesterday to entertain the members of the Trinity and Cambridge Rugby football teams, after their match in College Park early in the afternoon. Mrs. Solomons, wearing a charming gown of emerald green Paisley pattern silk, made very simply with short sleeves, greeted the guests on arrival. She was assisted in the entertainment of her guests by her sons.

Among those present were:—Sir Richard and Lady Levinge, the American Minister and Mrs. Cudahy, Miss Cudahy, the French Minister and Madame Guerlet, Sir Richard and Lady Musgrave, Sir John and Lady Lumsden, Lord and Lady Glenavy, the Hon. Bridget Campbell, Sir Robert and Lady Tate, Miss Dorothy Lowry, the Belgian Consul-General and Madame Goor, the Swedish Consul-General and Madame Jaensen, the Czechoslovakian Consul-General, Dr. K. Kostal.

The Hon. W. E. Wylie and Mrs. Wylie, Mr. Justice Meredith and Mrs. Meredith, Major and Mrs. Dudgeon, Captain and Mrs. Eccles, Captain and Mrs. Franklin, Mrs. H. G. Burgess, Dr. and Mrs. G. Hardman, Dr. and Mrs. L. Abrahamson, Dr. and Mrs. Merrick, Dr. and Mrs. D. G. Madill, Mr. and Mrs. Lennox Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Yeats, Mr. and Mrs. J. Yeats, Colonel and Mrs. Riall, Dr. and Mrs. E. Maunsell, Dr. and Mrs. Fitzgibbon, Mr. R. M. Smyllie, Mr. and Mrs. Dand, Professor Torrens, Dr. and Mrs. Gatenby, Mrs. Richardson Lucas, Mr. E. Solomons, Miss Solomons, Dr. Sheppard, Mrs. Wall, Mr. and Mrs. Shackleton, Mr. and Mrs. Riall, Dr. and Mrs. Shaw, Dr. Edward Solomons, Dr. and Mrs. Coffey, Mr. and Mrs. Ferrier, Dr. and Mrs. Stoney, Mr. and Mrs. Gore Grimes, Miss L. Weir, Mrs. Gwynne, Professor and Mrs. Werner, Mr. and Mrs. Hutton, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell, Mr. Freehill, Mr. D. A. Murphy, Mr. E. Lynch, Mr. and Mrs. Murnane, Captain and Mrs. West, Mr. Oliver Simon, Professor Yearon, Dr. and Mrs. Stewart, Dr. and Mrs. Schwartz, Mr. and Mrs. Odlum, Mr. and Mrs. Carey, the American Consul-General and Mrs. Balch.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall, the Swiss Consul-General and Madame Reniger, Mrs. White, Miss Haslett, Mrs. J. Smith, Miss Cranford, Dr. and Mrs. Dockery, Dr. Leeper, Dr. J. Cherry, Miss Blandford, Professor and Miss Jamison, Mr. and Mrs. Stanford, Miss Holmes, Superintendent and Mrs. O'Reilly, Mr. and Mrs. Orpen, Dr. Ella Webb, Miss F. Kelly, Professor and Mrs. Biggar, Mr. J. Hearne, Miss H. Riall, Professor and Mrs. Dukster, Mr. and Mrs. Guise Browne, Mr. and Mrs. Dermod O'Brien, Captain O'Connor, Mr. and Mrs. Mahon, Mr. and Mrs. James McNeill, Mr. and Mrs. Boydell, Miss R. Mayne, Dr. and Mrs. Somerville Large, Mr. and Mrs. Morrogh Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. J. Miley, Mr. and Mrs. H. Jacob, Dr. and Mrs. Garratt, Mr. and Mrs. Scott, Dr. and Mrs. Davidson, Mr. Quinn, Miss McMeekin, Mr. and Mrs. H. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Mooney, Mr. and Mrs. Porter, Miss Porter, Miss Drummond, Mr. and Mrs. McGonigal, Dr. and Mrs. Rowlette, Dr. and Mrs. Reddin, Captain and Mrs. Wardell, Mr. and Mrs. Hogan, Mrs. McClintock, Miss M. Lewis, Dr. Kostal, Captain and Mrs. Bruen, Mr. and Mrs. Bolger, Dr. Steen, Dr. and Mrs. Cunningham, Dr. and Mrs. Meldon, Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery, Mrs. Wilmer, Mr. and Mrs. Sharpe, Dr. Moorhead.

Dr. and Mrs. Dickson, District Justice and Mrs. Reddin, the Misses Coghlan, Mrs. Cassidy, District Justice Price and Dr. D. Price, Mr. and Mrs. T. Lett, Mr. and Mrs. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Gibson, Dr. and Mrs. Rutherford, Mr. and Miss Brabazon, Miss Reeves, Mr. Cordner, Mr. H. Thrift, Miss Fannin, Dr. G. Furlong, Dr. and Mrs. Burke, Dr. Lewis, Dr. Lombard Murphy, Miss Murphy, Mr. J. Conan, Mr. Wood, Miss Kerslake, Mr. and Mrs. Waddell, Mr. A. Chance, Dr. and Mrs. O'D. Byrne, Dr. and Mrs. Pringle, Professor and Miss Starkie, Mr. and Mrs. Storey, Mr. and Mrs. Shortt, Miss E. Green, Dr. Whitehead, Mrs. J. Hearne, Mrs. Morrow, Mr. and Mrs. Vard, the members of the Cambridge and Trinity Rugby teams.

LORRY FALLS INTO LIFFEY

At George's quay, Dublin, yesterday, while bricks were being loaded from a schooner on to a horse lorry, the property of Messrs. McFerran and Guilford, Tara street, Dublin, the horse backed with the vehicle over the quay edge, both becoming submerged in the water. Employés of the Port and Docks Board arrived with a tug and float, and the services of a diver were requisitioned. Cables were placed on the horse and lorry, which were towed up the river to an electric crane, by means of which the drowned animal and the vehicle were lifted to the quay.

CARLOW PROTEST

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

CARLOW, Tuesday.

At a beet growers' meeting in Carlow this evening it was urged that meetings of branches should be called to express the views of the growers in general and to give moral support to the Association in their efforts to secure a fair price for beet.

Mr. Hughes said that the policy of the Sugar Company was to try, by all means, to squeeze beet from the farmer at the lowest possible prices, no matter whether it paid the farmer or not.

Mr. Murphy—If we do not get our price we do not grow beet. If we are ever going to get our rights now is the time to get them.

While examining the track on the L.M.S. Railway near West Calder, two brothers, Andrew and Alexander Turner, of Fauldhouse, were killed by an engine with a snow plough on the front which was proceeding from Edinburgh to Glasgow to clear the drifts.

ON THE WIRELESS

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NATIONAL—1,500 Metres (200 Kc.).

10.15—Daily Service.
10.30—Time, Weather.
10.45—At Home To-day.
11. 5—Rhythm Classics.
11.30—Gramophone.
12.15—The Trocadero Cinema Orchestra.
1. 0—Gramophone (Musical Comedy).
1.45—The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra. Monte Rey (tenor).
2.50—Things I Cannot Explain: "Capetown Miracles." Frank Worthington.
3. 5—Gramophone.
3.15—The Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra. Solo pianoforte, Pouishnoff, from the Pavilion Bournemouth.
4.45—Tea-Time Talk: "Making the Most of Your Looks—3. "Care of the Hair," Mary Embrey.
5. 0—A Dansant: Join us this afternoon by Radio in another of our weekly Tea Dansants (Dancing this afternoon to Joe Loss and his Band.
6. 0—Time, News, Weather.
6.20—It Occurs to Me. Lord Elton.
6.40—The B.B.C. Scottish Orchestra.
7.50—Circus Acts in Training: Mroczkowski puts the Liberty Horses through their paces. With a description by F. H. Grisewood. Irene Bertram Mills's Winter Quarters at Ascot.
7.50—"Playing the Game": A Farcical Extravaganza with music.
8.40—Men Talking.
9. 0—Time, News, Weather and Forecast for Shipping.
9.20—"Stop Dancing": A programme of very light music.
10. 0—A Short Mid-Week Service, conducted by the Rev. W. H. Elliott. Organist, Reginald Goss-Custard, from St. Michael's, Chester Square.
10.20—Commence Scarlatti — 3. Harpsichord Sonatas, played by Alice Ehlers.
10.40—Poetry Will Out: Studies in National Inspiration and Characteristic Forms, No. 4. Dante—Cesar Foligno Serena Professor of Italian at Oxford.
11. 0—Maurice Winnick and his Orchestra, from the Piccadilly Hotel.
11.30-12.0—Gramophone (Dance Music).

REGIONAL—342.1 Metres (877 Kc.).

10.15—Daily Service.
Time Signal (Greenwich) at 10.30.
10.32—Weather.
10.45—The B.B.C. Northern Ireland Orchestra.
11.30—Harold Ramsay at the Organ of the Union Cinema, Kingston-on-Thames.
12. 0—The Celebrity Trio.
12.30—A Ballad Concert. Ena Gluck (soprano) and Burton Harper (bass-baritone).
1. 0—"I Was There." The Siege of Lucknow, 1857: A. F. Dashwood.
1.20—An Organ Recital by Reginald West, from the Cathedral Church of St. Patrick, Armagh.
2. 0—Gramophone (Dance Music).
2.30—A Light Classical Concert. Alec John (tenor) and the Norbert Weihmar Trio.
3.15—The Central Band of His Majesty's Royal Air Force (Conducted by Squadron-Leader R. P. O'Donnell, M.V.O., Director of Music Royal Air Force. From the Royal Air Force Headquarters, Uxbridge.
4.15—The Hotel Victoria Orchestra. Leader—A Spiero. From the Hotel Victoria, London.
5. 0—Children's Hour.
6. 0—The Gershom Parkington Quintet.
6.40—Wyndham Lewis at the B.B.C. Theatre Organ.
7. 0—Time, News, Weather.
7.30—"Messiah." The oratorio by Handel. The North Staffs District Choral Society and the City of Birmingham Orchestra, conducted by John James, from the Victoria Hall, Hanley. Part I.
8.55—Interval.
9. 5—"Messiah," Part 2.
10. 0—Time, News, Weather, Sport, Topical Talks.
10.25—Maurice Winnick and his Orchestra, from the Piccadilly Hotel.
11.30—Time, News, Weather.
11.40-12.0—Recital by Astra Desmond (contralto).

MIDLAND—296.2 Metres (1,013 Kc.).

10.15—Regional.
6.40—"For Midland Farmers." "Christmas Beef": W. A. Stewart.
7. 0-12.0—Regional.

NORTH—449.1 Metres (668 Kc.).

10.15—Regional.
12.30—A Ballad Concert: Robert Dixon (baritone), Elizabeth Manners (soprano), Thomas Hallford (pianoforte).
1. 0—Regional.
7.30—A Recital by Hubert Dunkerley (baritone).
8. 0—"The Ring of Words." An Anthology of Recorded Speech, collected and described by J. M. D. Pringle.
8.30—Music for Christmas. A Programme of Rounds, Folk Songs and Carols, sung by the Northumbrian Singers, Conductor, T. H. Mearis.
9. 0—Horace Finch at the Organ of the Empress Ballroom, Blackpool.
9.30—"Port Sights." 2—"Loading and Unloading." Arranged and presented by Victor Smythe.
9.45—"Children Ill and Well." "The Boy who was Bullied."
10. 0-12.0—Regional.

WEST—285.7 Metres (1,050 Kc.).

10.45—National.
5. 0—Gramophone ("Musical Showmen," Jerome Kern).
6.25—"For Young Farmers." "Milk Production." Margaret Knight and J. W. Edgell.
6.40—Regional.
8.55—A Pianoforte Recital by Winifred Davey.
9.15—"The Elephant" (an Anthology).
10. 0—Regional.
10.25—Close down.

WALES—373.1 Metres (804 Kc.).

10.15—Regional.
6.40—"Anglo-Welsh Authors, 1937" (Gwyn Jones).
7. 0—Regional.
7.45—An Orchestral Concert from the National Museum of Wales (Reardon Smith Lecture Theatre). Parry Jones (tenor), Robert Edwards (pianoforte), the B.B.C. Welsh Orchestra.
9. 5-12.0—Regional.

SCOTTISH—391.1 Metres (767 Kc.).

10.15—Regional.
3.30—Mid-week Service, conducted by the Rev. Hector Macpherson, Ph.D., Guthrie Memorial Church, Edinburgh.
4. 0—Regional.
6. 0—"Fiddling and Piping." Donald Main.
6.20—For Scottish Farmers: "Cattle-breeding in the Highlands." a discussion between Lord Rowallan, M.C., and Joseph F. Duncan.
6.40—Regional.
7.30—The Dundee Orchestral Concert Society. Orchestral Concert (leader, Henri Temianka) (conductor, Georg Szell, from the Caird Hall, Dundee).
8.30—In Gaelic. The Most Hon. the Marquis of Graham.
8.45—Glasgow's Own. Second Edition (Variety artists making their first appearance before the microphone).
9. 5-12.0—Regional.

ON THE CONTINENT

BERLIN (D) (1,571 Metres).—8.15-9.0 p.m.—Haydn and Richard Strauss Music by the Station Orchestra.

BRUSSELS I (483.9 Metres).—9.15-10.0 p.m.—Orchestral Concert of Light American Music, with Negro Spirituals.

COLOGNE (455.9 Metres).—7.0-8.0 p.m.—Mozart and Beethoven Concert, with Readings from the Music History of their day.

HAMBURG (331.5 Metres).—6.10-7.0 p.m.—Mozart and Schubert Music by the Station Orchestra and Horn Soloist.

HILVERSUM 2 (301.5 Metres).—7.55-10.25 p.m.—Symphony Concert by the Concertgebouw Orchestra and Soloists, conducted by Paul Hindemith and Dr. Mengelbe g.

MUNICH (405.4 Metres).—6.10-8.0 p.m.—Concert of Old and New Operetta Music.

RADIO PARIS (1,648 Metres).—8.30-10.30 p.m.—Concert by the National Orchestra, with Violin, Piano and 'Cello Soloists. Conductor: Ingelbrecht.

ROME (420.8 Metres).—8.0 p.m.—"L'Africaine," opera (Meyerbeer), relayed from the Opera House. Conductor: Serafin.

STRASBOURG (349.2 Metres).—8.30 (approx.) p.m.—"Werther," opera (Massenet), from the Opera-Comique, Paris.

The first of the men to be released following the remission of a quarter of the sentence passed upon convicts for their part in the Dartmoor mutiny in 1932 left Parkhurst Prison, Isle of Wight, yesterday. He was William Mason, who at the time of the disturbance was serving a three-years penal servitude. He is said to have hailed from Belfast.

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5 m.)—7.10-9.15 p.m.—The 's Concert, from the Royal Conductor, Furtwängler.
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49.2 m.)—8.30-10.35 p.m.—Conservatoire by the Conservaand Soloists.
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NEW COMPETITIONS

As will be seen in our advertising columns, the syllabus of Feis Maitiu, 1938, to be held in Dublin during Easter Week, is now on sale in all the musical and principal newsagents' shops in the city.

In response to many requests, the committee have included a number of new competitions, including operatic solo in costume and operatic ensemble. For the Irish costume competition two gold medals are offered. There are also two perpetual challenge cups offered for song and dance in character for groups and solo, open to all ages.

The adjudicators in the singing and instrumental sections include Lady Harty, wife of Sir Hamilton Harty (singing), and Mr. Henry Gheel (piano and violin), whilst Professor J. Murphy, Galway University, is adjudicating the elocution competitions. Eamonn O Gallachobhair will adjudicate in the traditional fiddle and pipe competitions. The Irish dancing section (which this year will be held under the rules of the Irish Dance Teachers' Association) will be in the hands of Treasa ni h-Ailpin, Waterford. The services of the Rev. Weinoc Mertens, O.S.B., Belgium, have secured for the Plain Chant competitions; Mr. G. S. Bygrave, Cork, for Physical Culture; Professor Shields for Social Science; Seamus Clandillon for Irish Singing, and Leon O Broin for Irish Language competitions. The Dramatic Art competitions will be adjudicated by the British Drama League.

An interesting feature of the Feis will be the competition for Opera in Irish, the prize for which is an engagement by Radio Athlone. Entries for all sections must reach the Secretary not later than 29th March, 1938.

Belfast to Bangor By-Pass Road.—Lady Bates, wife of the Right Hon. Sir Dawson Bates, Bart., Northern Minister of Home Affairs, yesterday afternoon cut the first sod on the construction of the new by-pass road from Belfast to the Bangor road, which is to cost a quarter of a million pounds.

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

CLONTARF PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
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FRIDAY NEXT,
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The Warden hopes that as many Old Columbans as possible will be present, and would be grateful if those intending to come would let him know before Christmas.

FEIS MAITIU, DUBLIN,
EASTER WEEK, 1938.
SYLLABUS NOW READY.

COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS COMPANY OF DUBLIN.
Notice is hereby given that a General Assembly of the Commercial Buildings Company of Dublin will be held at Commercial Buildings, Dame street, Dublin, on Thursday, the 23rd day of December, 1937, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing, the following resolution:—
"That this General Assembly of the Commercial Buildings Company of Dublin hereby sanctions the sale of the company's lands and property on the terms contained in the Agreement, a draft whereof is submitted to this Meeting, and consents that the Committee of Directors may proceed with and carry the said sale into effect."
And Notice is hereby also given that a further General Assembly of the said Company will be held at Commercial Buildings, Dame street, Dublin, on Friday, the 31st day of December, 1937, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the above-mentioned Assembly, and, if thought fit, confirming the said resolution in accordance with Clause XXI. of the Company's Charter.
Dated this 14th day of December, 1937.
By Order of the Directors,
Directors { HEW HARRINGTON JELLETT, MICHAEL E. DILLON, FRANCIS H. FIM, DENIS GOOBODY, J. M. SWEETMAN.
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		Votes.
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2.	Ferrity, William A. (Co. Armagh)	2,448
3.	Phair, Florence E. (Co. Fermanagh)	2,442
4.	Mitchell, John (Co. Wicklow)	2,386
5.	Cree, Desmond F. A. (Co. Down)	2,378
6.	Moss, Joyce (Dublin)	2,348
7.	Noble, Frances E. (Co. Fermanagh)	2,312
8.	Elliott, Kathleen (Dublin)	2,286
9.	Johnston, William R. (Co. Fermanagh)	2,267
10.	Murray, Herbert E. (Co. Armagh)	2,176

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Take Notice that I intend to apply for a renewal of the Certificate of Registration of the NORTH TIPPERARY COUNTY CLUB, situate at 50 Pearse street, Nenagh.
F. S. BRERETON, Secretary.

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CONTINUOUS ..... 2.30 TILL 11.0 P.M.
PAUL KELLY, ROSALIND KEITH, in
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Also DOROTHY WILSON in "SPEED TO SPARE."

GRAND CENTRAL.
2.30 11 O'CLOCK.
"GOD'S COUNTRY AND THE WOMAN."
GEORGE BRENT.
AT 2.30, 4.57, 7.16, 9.39.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES

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OPEN COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS IN 1938.
PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT

Open Competitive Examinations will be held during the year 1938 for the following classes:—
1. JUNIOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS* (Male and Female)—Examination in February, 1938. Age Limits: 21-26 on the 1st January, 1938. Candidates not already established Civil Servants must possess an Honours University Degree or its equivalent.
2. ASSISTANT INSPECTORS OF TAXES (Male and Female)—Examinat on in June, 1938. Age Limits: 20-25 on 1st June, 1938. Candidates must pass a VIVA VOCE Test and a written examination of Leaving Certificate standard. In addition, any or all of the following optional subjects may be taken: Mathematics (Leaving Certificate Honours Course), Accountancy, Economics.
3. OFFICERS OF CUSTOMS AND EXCISE* (Male). JUNIOR EXECUTIVE OFFICERS* (Male and Female) Examination in July, 1938. Age Limits: Officers of Customs and Excise, 19-22; Junior Executive Officers, 18-20, on 1st August, 1938. Standard of Examination: Leaving Certificate. Mathematics will be of Pass Standard only. German will be restored as an optional subject.
4. CLERICAL OFFICERS, etc.* (Male and Female)—Examination in July, 1938. Age Limits: 17-19 on 1st August, 1938. Standard of Examination: Intermediate Certificate. German will be restored as an optional subject.

NOTE—THE AGE LIMITS IN OPEN COMPETITIONS FOR POSTS AS CLERICAL OFFICER FROM 1939 INCLUSIVE WILL BE 16½ TO 18½ YEARS.

5. EMPLOYMENT CLERKS (Male and Female)—Examination in May, 1938. Age Limits: 18 to 21 on 1st May, 1938. Standard of Examination: Intermediate Certificate. Indexing and Digesting Returns will be a compulsory subject.
6. WRITING ASSISTANTS* (Female)—Examinations in April, 1938, and October, 1938. Age Limits: 16½-18½ on 1st April, 1938, and 1st October, 1938, respectively. Standard of Examination: Standard VII., Primary Schools.
7. SHORTHAND TYPISTS* (Female) — The literary part of the examination will be held in September, 1938. Those who qualify therein will be tested in Typewriting and Shorthand during November, 1938. Age Limits: 18-25 on 1st November, 1938.

A higher standard than hitherto will be required in Irish, both written and oral, and the number of marks for Irish Typewriting will be raised.

8. TYPISTS* (Female)—The literary part of the examination will be held in March, 1938. Those who qualify therein will be tested in Typewriting during May, 1938. Age Limits: 18-25 on 1st May, 1938.

In addition, a further examination for posts as Typists (Female) will be held in September-November, 1938, concurrently with the examination for posts as Shorthand-Typist mentioned above. Age Limits: 18-25 on 1st November, 1938.

A higher standard than hitherto will be required in Irish, both written and oral, and the number of marks for Irish Typewriting will be raised.

9. LEARNERS (Male and Female) in the Department of Posts and Telegraphs—Examination in October, 1938. Age Limits: 15-17 on 1st October 1938. Standard of Examination: Standard VII., Primary Schools.
10. BOY MESSENGERS (Department of Posts and Telegraphs)—Examinations in June and December, 1938. Standard of Examination: Standard VI., Primary Schools. The age limits hitherto 14-15, will be 14-16 on 1st June and 1st December respectively.

QUALIFYING EXAMINATIONS FOR ARMY CADETSHIPS—A qualifying examination for Cadetships in the Defence Forces will be held in May, 1938. Standard: Leaving Certificate (Pass). Age Limits: For Volunteers, 18-22, for other candidates 18-20 on 1st August, 1938, with an extension of one year for both classes in certain cases.

NOTE—(1) In all the above competitions, including those for the post of Boy Messenger, an appropriate oral test in Irish is an integral part of the entrance examination and must be passed. Failure in the Oral Test in Irish means failure in the examination.
(2) In all competitions importance will be attached to Handwriting.
(3) Further announcements will be made when the Regulations and Application Forms for each examination are available.
* Regulations and Conditions of Service for competitions so marked will be in Irish only.
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LOCAL APPOINTMENTS COMMISSION.
NURSING POSITIONS VACANT.
Application Forms for and particulars of the following Vacant Posts may be obtained from the Secretary of the Commission, 45 Upper O'Connell street, Dublin:—
(a) TRAINED NURSE, MATERNITY DEPARTMENT, COUNTY HOSPITAL, WEXFORD. Salary: £90 a year, with emoluments. C.M.B. (Saorstát Eireann) Certificate essential.
(b) TRAINED NURSES, LETTERKENNY DISTRICT HOSPITAL, CO. DONEGAL. Salary: £75 a year, with emoluments. C.M.B. (Saorstát Eireann) Certificate essential.
(c) TRAINED NURSE, MATERNITY HOSPITAL, TRIM, CO. MEATH. Salary: £75 a year, with emoluments. C.M.B. (Saorstát Eireann) Certificate essential.

LATEST DATE FOR RECEIVING COMPLETED APPLICATION FORMS: 31st December, 1937.
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COIMISIUN TALMHAN NA hEIREANN (IRISH LAND COMMISSION).
NOTICE TO BUILDING CONTRACTORS.
Sealed Tenders addressed to the undersigned, and marked "Tender for Works No. 971," will be received up to but not later than noon on the 31st December, 1937, for the Construction of Two Dwellinghouses and Two Out-offices on the Lands of Foulksrath, Co. Kilkenny, about 7½ miles north-west of Kilkenny City, in accordance with Plans and Specifications to be seen at this Office, or on the Lands at the hour of 12 noon on the 21st December, 1937, when an Inspector will attend to point out sites.
A copy of the Plans and Specifications may be obtained on application to this Office on deposit of £1, which will be refunded on the return of the Plans and Specifications.
The deposit should be made by cheque or postal order crossed, and made payable to the Secretary, Irish Land Commission, and should be forwarded by registered post, the envelope being clearly marked "Application for Plans." Cash or Notes should not be sent.
The Land Commission will not be bound to accept the lowest or any Tender.
M. DEEGAN, Secretary
Coimisiun Talmhan na h-Eireann (Irish Land Commission),
Sraid Tachtarach Mhuirbhitheann (Upper Merrion street),
Baile Atha Cliath (Dublin).
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The Irish Times

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1937.

NEWS SUMMARY

IRELAND

Labour members in the Dail last night referred to Italy's annexation of Abyssinia, when a supplementary estimate was introduced in reference to the appointment of a Free State representative at the Quirinal.—(Page 9.)

Eleven Republican prisoners were released from the Glass House yesterday. The release was quite unexpected, the men being merely told just before train-time to pack up and go home. Six men are still in custody.—(Page 9.)

ABROAD

A Note expressing "sincere apologies" to the United States for the attack on the U.S. gunboat Panay and American oil tankers in the Yangtse on Monday was handed to Mr. Joseph Grew, the United States Ambassador in Tokyo, yesterday. A Note also has been handed to the British Ambassador in Tokyo.—(Page 9.)

SPORTING

At Nottingham yesterday Dominick's Cross won the Midland Handicap Steeplechase.—(Page 12.)

In the College Park, Dublin, yesterday, Dublin University beat Cambridge University at Rugby football by a penalty goal and a try (6 points) to one goal (5 points).—(Page 13.)

SAVOY.
Continuous Daily ... 2-11. 'Phones ... 44788/9
Bargain Matinee Daily, 2 to 5 p.m. (Sats. 2-3 p.m. All Seats 1/- (except Grand Circle, 1/9). Children Half-price, 6d.
Night Prices—1/-, 1/6, 1/9, 2/-, 2/6.
Seats may now be Booked for 3.30 and 8.30 Performances on Sunday (St. Stephen's Day), Dec. 26.
DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS, JUN.,
With VALERIE HOBSON, in
"JUMP FOR GLORY,"
Douglas Fairbanks, junior, in the most dramatic role of his career.
SHOWING AT 2.45, 5 o'c., 7.15, 9.30.
Also Mickey Mouse Cartoon. "MOVING DAY."
PHILIP DORE AT THE ORGAN.
Come yourself and bring the kiddies, to Mickey Mouse's Christmas now at the Savoy Restaurant. Music. Open till midnight.
Cork—"Black Legion."
Limerick—"Lloyds of London."

TO DAY, 2 to 11 **CAPITOL** TO DAY, 2 to 11.
LEE TRACY, MARGOT GRAHAME, in
"CRIMINAL LAWYER."
Showing at 2.12, 4.44, 7.16, 9.48.
PRESTON FOSTER, MARGARET CALLAHAN, in
"HOUSE OF FATE."
Showing at 3.23, 5.55, 8.27.

TO DAY, 2 to 11. **ASTOR** TO DAY, 2 to 11
Erich Remarque's famous "All Quiet" Sequel.
"THE ROAD BACK."
SHOWING at 2.30, 4.40, 7.0, 9.20.
Admission 2/-, including tax.
BOOK FOR SUNDAY 3.30 and 8.30.

KILDARE HOUSE
Long Life Clothes
Owing to our Workshops being on the premises we can execute orders received this week before the Holidays.
WE HAVE A LARGE STOCK OF
KILDARE OVERCOATS
READY TO WEAR AT PRICES FROM 3 TO 7 GNS.
WESTMORELAND STREET.

DOW'S
ROYAL DRY
PORT
FINE DRY TAWNY
THE NAME IS YOUR GUARANTEE

FINANCIAL

London Stock Markets continued in dull mood yesterday, and prices generally moved to lower levels. Oil Shares formed the one bright section.—(Page 14.)

Gold fell 1d. to 139s. 10d. per ounce. Silver prices rallied, cash 3-16d. to 18 11-16d., and forward ½d. to 18 5-16d. per ounce.—(Page 14.)

Dublin Market was of very small dimensions, and prices eased in the absence of support. Guinness Ord. fell to 121s. 6d.—(Page 14.)

The Abyssinian Tangle

On every moral ground we regret that the Free State has seen fit to recognise Italy's sovereignty over Abyssinia. Nevertheless, we realise that the Free State's position in regard to this business has been unique. For a considerable time before the invasion of Ethiopia negotiations were on foot for the reciprocal appointment of Ministries in Rome and Dublin. They were suspended as soon as it became manifest that Italy was proceeding with her plans, and, as a result, would be faced with the challenge of the League of Nations. As a member of the League of Nations the Free State could not do otherwise than throw her entire weight into the scale on the Covenant side. Mr. de Valera himself spoke with unusual vehemence, on one or two occasions, against Italy's aggression; and it is more than probable that this country's attitude helped to determine that of several of the smaller States. From the beginning the Free State acted in strict concord with the rest of the League; she was one of the fifty-two nations that voted for sanctions, and later, when the experiment with sanctions had failed, refused to recognise the new Empire. Since the first months after the campaign, it is true, certain nations have changed their minds. Germany and Japan, neither of which was a member of the League at the time, never made any attempt to conceal their sympathy with the Italians, and recognised the annexation of Abyssinia almost immediately. A number of other States—most of whom, as was pointed out in the Dáil last night, are South American Republics—have followed the German and Japanese example within recent months. On the other hand, rather than allow his credentials to be presented to the "King of Italy and Emperor of Abyssinia," France has declined for so long to appoint an Ambassador to Rome that the indignant Italians have withdrawn theirs from Paris.

Some months ago, in pursuit of the interrupted negotiations, the Italian Consulate-General in Dublin was raised to the status of a Legation. International politeness demanded that Mr. de Valera's Government should reciprocate the compliment with the least possible delay. Actually, the delay has been excessive, and might have been construed very badly at Rome if the Italians had not taken evident account of the circumstances. Any further delay, however, might justify them in a recall of their Minister on the ground that the normal claims of diplomatic courtesy had not been fulfilled; and, after so serious a rupture between the two nations, it might be extremely difficult to set negotiations once more on foot. Every Free State Government has been anxious to establish diplomatic contacts with other countries. The reason has been, presumably, to stress Irish sovereignty in the world's eyes, rather than anything material; and this necessity must make a stronger appeal than ever to Mr. de Valera's Government at a time when the new Constitution, with its proud boast of national independence, is ready to come into force. Italy is the only great Power in Western Europe—with the obvious exception of Britain—which is not linked with the *Saorstát* by means of a Legation. Our country is faced, therefore, with the choice of appearing to recognise Italy's sovereignty over Abyssinia or of losing the opportunity to complete its diplomatic contacts. The position is extraordinary. Every other country already is represented in Rome; the Free State is the first actually to establish a Legation since the Abyssinian campaign came to an end, and the King of Italy added the term "Emperor of Abyssinia," to his titles. Probably she will receive abuse from other States for her apparent back-sliding; but we think that the Government's extremely delicate position will be appreciated at home.

In fact, *Saorstát Eireann* is merely a little in advance of the rest. It has been evident for some time past that the other nations, great and small, are all but ready to recognise Italy's *de facto* sovereignty over Ethiopia. The Free State, presumably, would follow their example in any case; and she might as well do so now, while she can profit by the action, as wait another month or two. Such recognition will make no difference to any Irishman's personal opinion of the Italian invasion—or, for that matter, to our Government's; nobody is called upon, as a result of this interchange of diplomatic courtesies, to regard the invasion as justified; the only change is that Italy's control of Abyssinia is deemed a fact. Nevertheless, all honest men must admire the refusal of a comparatively small number of Dáil members to compromise their principles. Unhappily, politics are a cynical business. It remains to be seen how dangerous a precedent has been set. The case of Spain, if General Franco wins, will be simple enough, inasmuch as international usage always has allowed the right of recognition to an insurgent who has established *de facto* control over his country. On the other hand, the Far East will present difficulties in abundance. At the present moment Japan is treating China precisely as Italy treated Abyssinia, and is bound to argue that the nations which condoned Italian conduct have no right to condemn hers. We must face the fact that any effort to impose a common law upon the world will find such problems in abundance. The rule of law is on trial. It has met with many reverses during the last few years, and the danger is that the effort will succumb in despair before every possible trial has been made. Perhaps, another war will be necessary to solve the issue between law and brute force once and for all. It may be too much to expect that the instincts of many thousand years can be brought to heel in a couple of decades.

An Imperial Dream

The traditions of Birmingham were ignored yesterday by Professor W. K. Hancock when he delivered the Finlay Lecture in University College, Dublin. Forty years ago the first Imperial Conference discovered in Joseph Chamberlain, then the outstanding figure in the public life of Birmingham, the evangelist of economic imperialism. To-day a professor of the University of Birmingham says economic imperialism cannot be achieved, but that attempts to achieve it may "bring untold evil upon humanity." We are reminded, of course, that the conditions of the nineteenth century have passed, and, although the fact has been recognised in some quarters, there are people who are sufficiently obtuse not to recognise it even now. In England itself those whose normal habitation is the last ditch occasionally raise their voices in favour of the consolidation of the British Empire and Commonwealth into a novel kind of closed borough. It is fortunate that their advice goes unheeded, because any attempt to enforce the idea of a *Zollverein* within the Commonwealth would lead inevitably to disaster. There was a faint chance for such an economic empire under the British flag forty or more years ago when Joseph Chamberlain first roused the enthusiasm of one of the great political parties in England with his roseate dream. Nationalism had not then seized upon the various Dominions to anything like the extent that it claims to-day; the development which has for its culminating point the Statute of Westminster eclipsed the Chamberlain ideal. The eclipse, however, has been only partial so far as Europe and Asia are concerned: there are in both these continents popular leaders who profess to believe in the possibility of a self-contained and self-sufficing empire. It may be, as Professor Hancock insists, that the persistence of this obsession with political frontiers is due to ignorance of history; but it may be just as easily due to a different interpretation of history. Mercantilists in Europe and Asia to-day refer with increasing emphasis to the early history of the British Empire, professing to discover in that history the royal road to successful expansion. No more assiduous students of the economic history of the British Empire can be found in the world than those who follow the teachings of Schmoller and List in Germany, and, if one from the outer fringes of that Empire, like Professor Hancock, can persuade them that British economic history may be interpreted differently, the world will be deeply in his debt. "No political empire has ever been adjusted to the economic energies of people living inside it," says Professor Hancock; the boundaries have been burst long before they could become too constrictive. World empires have been made by commerce, from the Phœnicians and Venetians to Spaniards, Dutch, British and Americans; they never have been solidly built upon speeches. The British Empire itself is a by-product of trade, and the shipping lines are to-day among its strongest binding links. This is not a reason for a stampede towards a revived form of the mercantilist doctrine, which depended so greatly upon the export of goods and the import of gold, and which drove adventurous traders upon perilous quests into uncharted seas. Adventure has almost gone from the business nowadays; all that remains is the bombing aeroplane and the lumbering tank. Britain's economic empire extends far beyond the quarter of the globe which acknowledges allegiance to King George, and it is in the future of that empire, perhaps, that aspirations are concentrated. To say this, however, is to go a long way from the dreams of Joseph Chamberlain and the teachings of William Ashley.

Released Prisoners

Opinions probably will differ regarding the wisdom of President de Valera's decision to release certain number of political prisoners; but we are inclined to think that he has acted in a statesmanlike way. For some years after he came into power he and his Ministers were harassed by the aggressive activities of the so-called "I.R.A." and other illegal organisations. Some shocking crimes were committed up and down the country, with the result that the Government was forced to resuscitate the Public Safety Act and to take strong measures in defence of the national safety. We are convinced that the Government acted very properly during a very difficult and delicate crisis in Free State affairs. It showed strength when strength was needed, and there is little doubt that its firmness brought about the virtual collapse of the illegal organisations that were trying to terrorise it. The twenty-six county area to-day is among the most peaceful countries in the world. On the day when the King visited Belfast there was a momentary eruption of terrorist activities along the Northern border; but it manifestly was the work of irresponsible elements with no real backing behind them. Last October it was stated officially that nineteen men still were in prison on various charges and serving various terms. Yesterday eleven of them were released, including Mr. Maurice Twomey, who occupied a high position in the "I.R.A." It seems that the Government has made this gesture of clemency not only because Christmas is at hand, but because the new Constitution is about to come into force, and Mr. de Valera is anxious to start, as it were, with a clean slate. We hope that not only the released prisoners, but also those citizens of the *Saorstát* who continue to support a policy of political extremism, will recognise the sincerity of the Government's motives, and, above all, that they will not try to take advantage of what seems to be a genuine effort to establish political peace in the country. In the past there has been a tendency in Ireland to interpret generosity of any kind as weakness. The release of prisoners often has been the prelude to further outbreaks of political disorder, and successive Governments have been forced to repent. Mr. de Valera has proved that he can be firm when necessary. He also has proved that he can be merciful. May we hope that under the new Constitution there will be no more disorder, and that our citizens of all shades of opinion will realise that "there is a constitutional way of settling all our differences"?

"Scoops"

The Duke of Portland, in a letter to *The Times*, has condemned strongly the behaviour of certain journalists who sought to obtain an interview with the King of the Belgians during his recent visit to the Duke's seat, Welbeck Abbey. Apparently, it was necessary to use force to eject two reporters from the compartment which had been reserved for the Royal party; another made incessant telephone calls in appalling French to the clerk on duty; while at Welbeck Abbey a man and a woman attended Morning Service in the private chapel, and subsequently stared in through the dining-room windows while the Duke and his guests were having lunch. "All this," concludes the Duke, "in addition to constant calls over the telephone, a shower of telegrams, and persistent demands for personal interviews. To what depths have certain members of the Press descended; and this in the face of, and to the knowledge of, distinguished foreign representatives." The Duke of Portland is expressing a complaint which is being made with increasing frequency by public men in England. About a week ago an important politician described the intensity of his resentment when a photographer snapped him at a banquet in the very act of putting food into his mouth; and he was supported wholeheartedly by a large number of other influential citizens. Now comes the Duke of Portland's protest, so vehemently worded that it would seem to behove the editors of the offending newspapers to modify the exertions of their reporters. This demand for an "inside story," of course, originated in America; where reporters have been hiding under beds, climbing up drain pipes, and disguising themselves as plumbers for quite a number of years. Public men in America, however, appear to be able to dispense as good as they get, and the overbold reporter is liable to extensive injury. In England he is treated with more respect, although his welcome is no more enthusiastic; but if American methods are to be allowed to develop across the Channel it is more than probable that Englishmen will forget their natural reserve. This "inside story" practice is a real nuisance. It is a miserable business for the reporter and the celebrity alike; and, perhaps, the only way to stop it is by force.

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS

Dublin Board of Assistance—10.30 a.m.
Dublin District Court—10.30 a.m.
High and Circuit Courts—11 a.m.
Central Criminal Court—11 a.m.
Conference of Irish Conservators of Fisheries—2.30 p.m.
Dail—Leinster House, 3 p.m.
Alexandra School Prize Day—3 p.m.
Royal Irish Academy of Music—Stated Meeting, 5.30 p.m.
United National Leaseholders' Association, Jury's Hotel—8 p.m.
High School, Harcourt street — "The Mikado," 8 p.m.
Glenageary Dramatic Society—Town Hall, Dun Laoghaire, 7.45 p.m.
St. Patrick's Cathedral School Prize Day—8 p.m.
Dublin Labour Party—Lecture by Mr. R. Corish T.D., 45 Fleet street, 8 p.m.
Geographical Society of Ireland—19 Dawson street, 8 p.m.
Live Stock Exporters—Prosperity Chambers, Dublin, 8.15 p.m.
Dublin Incorporated Accountants' Students' Society Dance in Gresham Hotel, 9 p.m.
Trim Fat Stock Show.

AMUSEMENTS.
Gaiety Theatre—Variety.
Olympia Theatre—Variety.
Gate Theatre—"Hamlet."
Metropole Cinema—"Exclusive" and "She's No Lady."
Grafton Cinema—"Under the Red Robe."
Corinthian Cinema—"Parole Racket" and "Speed to Spare."
Grand Central Cinema—"God's Country and the Woman."
Theatre de Luxe—"King of Gamblers" and "Hotel Haywire."
Theatre Royal — Variety and "A Family Affair."
Stephen's Green Cinema — "Moonlight Sonata."
Savoy Cinema—"Jump for Glory."
Capitol Cinema — "Criminal Lawyer" and "House of Fate."
Astor Cinema—"The Road Back."

Anyone in Greece found uprooting young fir trees or cutting branches off larger trees for Christmas decorations will be liable to imprisonment or a fine ranging from 7s. 6d. to £9. This applies not only to wild fir trees but to those grown on private estates, and no foreign trees may be imported for the purpose of decorations.

COURT AND PERSONAL

FROM THE *COURT CIRCULAR*.
BUCKINGHAM PALACE, Tuesday.

To-day is the forty-second anniversary of the birthday of the King. Queen Mary visited Their Majesties this morning. The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester visited Their Majesties and remained to luncheon.

The Princess Royal, the Duke and Duchess of Kent, and Prince and Princess Nicholas of Greece visited Their Majesties this afternoon.

The King and Queen gave a children's party for the Princess Elizabeth and the Princess Margaret at the Palace this afternoon. Queen Mary and members of the Royal Family were present.

The Governor of Northern Ireland and the Duchess of Abercorn will return to Hillsborough, Northern Ireland, just before Christmas, from London.

The Earl and Countess of Mansfield will return to Scotland this week from London.

The Earl and Countess of Dunmore will leave London at the end of this month for St. Moritz.

The Countess of Minto, who is paying a short visit to London, will leave next week for Minto House, Hawick, where she will entertain a family party for Christmas.

The Earl and Countess of Winterton will leave London next week for their residence in Surrey, where they will spend Christmas.

The Earl of Midleton celebrated his eighty-first birthday yesterday.

Lord and Lady Derwent will leave London early next week for the Continent, where they will be for Christmas.

Lady Rachel Howard is leaving England for India on Thursday, and will be away for three months.

Sir John and Lady Simon have arranged to spend Christmas in the South of France.

Lieutenant-Colonel R. B Charteris is entertaining the following people at Cahir Park, Cahir, County Tipperary, for covert shooting: Lord and Lady Adare, the Marquis of Headfort, the Earl of Granard, Colonel and Mrs. Wynne Finch, Captain G. A. Boyd-Rochfort, V.C., and Captain Charles Moore.

General Sir Ian and Lady Hamilton will leave London on December 22nd for Monte Carlo.

The Hon. Mrs. Robert Lindsay has left England for her estates in Western Australia, where she will be for some months.

Joan Lady Bannerman will leave London just before Christmas for Germany.

The Hon. Bryan and Mrs. Bourke have left Roseboro', Naas, County Kildare, for England.

Lady Athlumney, who has been staying in London for the past two months, will return to Somerville, County Meath, next week.

The Knight of Glin and Madame Fitzgerald returned to Glin Castle yesterday from Kilruddery, Bray, where they had been on a visit to the Earl and Countess of Meath. Lady Maureen Brabazon, who has been ill, is much better. Her sister, Lady Meriel, broke her arm recently.

Lord and Lady Farnham are leaving Ireland after Christmas for a trip to South Africa.

Meath Hunt Ball will be held on January 3rd, 1938, at Ardmulchan, Navan (kindly lent by Sir Alexander and Lady Maguire).

Switzers Christmas Window Displays are proving a great attraction for shoppers in Grafton street . . . a fascinating array of Gift suggestions that is well worth seeing, especially if one seeks something really novel.

At Holmes', George's street — Boxes of Gloves, Stockings, Handkerchiefs, Scarves, Belts, Neckwear, Men's Ties and Socks. Speciality post orders.

Walpoles—for Baby Gifts and Children's Wear: Gloves, Socks, Soft Fancy Togs, Hand-made Baby Frocks, and Matinée Jackets. Goods carefully packed, and tiniest items despatched to special addresses.—Walpoles, Suffolk street, Dublin.

A Morgan Hat is the best Christmas Gift for him.—19 Duke street.

Slenderising Evening Gown in Blackberry Slipper Satin, with corsage embroidery of crystal and silver, 7½ gns., at Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton street, Dublin.

PASSENGERS BY ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.
Among the arrivals were:—Mr. Mervyn Warren, Miss Marjorie Kennedy, Mrs. M. Wilson, Mr. Gerald Wilson.
Among the departures were:—Sir Thomas Molony, Mr. R. A. Irwin, Mr. R. A. Nolan, Mrs. S. K. Clarke, Mrs. William Barrington, Mr. L. C. Hansard.

PASSENGERS BY B. AND I. LINE, VIA LIVERPOOL.
Among the arrivals were:—Duchess of St. Albans, Lady Llangibby, Mr. Percy Linden, Mr. E. Rawlins, Dr. J. R. Sides, Mr. L. H. Reynolds, Mr. Stonehewer, Mr. F. H. Mountain, Mr. T. H. Austin, Flight-Lieutenant C. W. Pratt, Mr. O. S. Kent, Mrs. Chambers, Mr. G. T. Bourke, Mrs. Benson, Dr. Oliver Chance, Mr. Temple Dobell, Mr. A. C. Carter, Mr. Hancock, Mr. R. Ball, Mr. Wm. Coulthurst, Mr. Pike, Mr. L. C. Stewart, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Williams, Mr. Harris, Mr. H. Rymell, Mr. H. Barran, Mr. Cooke, Mr. W. Day, Mr. Chesterman, Mr. Haycock, Mrs. Simon and Mr. Bolt.

Dainty Shoes for evening wear in a variety of styles and colours.—

ATTACK ON SHIPS IN YANGTSE

JAPAN PROMISES REPARATION

Stern Note Sent From Washington

MR. EDEN TO MAKE STATEMENT TO-DAY

THE situation created by the Japanese attacks on British and American ships in the Yangtse continues to occupy the serious attention of statesmen in London and Washington. The two Governments are keeping in communication, but it is understood that there is no suggestion of a joint naval demonstration.

Mr. Eden is to make a statement in the House to-day, and he is expected to disclose the terms of a Note of protest to be sent to Japan.

Japan already has expressed regret for these attacks. In a Note, which was handed to the British Ambassador in Tokyo yesterday, the Japanese Government promises to deal appropriately, after an investigation, with those responsible for the incidents, in which four British men-of-war were fired upon or bombed from the air. The Note also states that the Japanese Government "are prepared to make the necessary indemnification for the losses sustained by the British."

A similar Note of apology and regret has been sent by the Japanese Government to Washington.

JAPAN'S CASE

The text of the Japanese Note to the United States sets out that from reports received from their representatives in China, it has been established that the Japanese naval force, acting upon information that Chinese troops fleeing from Nanking were going up the river in steamers, took off to pursue them. Owing to poor visibility, however, the aircraft, although they descended to fairly low altitudes, were unable to discern any mark to show that any one of them was an American merchant ship or man-o'-war.

"Consequently the Panay and the vessels of the Standard Oil Company, being taken for Chinese vessels carrying fleeing Chinese troops, were bombed and sunk."

U.S. Vessels To Remain

The Note from the United States Government, which was formally presented in Tokyo by the American Ambassador, demands a full apology for the sinking of the gunboat Panay, for complete and comprehensive indemnification, and guarantees against a repetition of such attacks on American nationals' interests and property.

The suggestion that an apology is expected from the Emperor, it is stated in Washington, may be dismissed as an over-statement. All the Emperor is expected to do is to acknowledge President Roosevelt's communication, and thus show cognisance of the gravity of the situation.

Admiral Yarnell, the American Commander-in-Chief in China, yesterday unequivocally announced that United States naval vessels would remain in Chinese waters for the protection of their nationals as long as the necessity existed.

MORE SURVIVORS

Further survivors of the Panay have been picked up by H.M.S. Bee and other vessels, but a number of them who have gathered at Hanshan are believed to be in danger, as fighting has broken out between Japanese who are attempting to land from a creek and Chinese forces on shore.

The Japanese Commander in the Wuhu area promised the British Consul-General in Nanking that he would endeavour to hold up the Japanese attack in this region until all the survivors of the disaster have been evacuated.

THE BRITISH NOTE

The British Note to Japan will, it is thought, be approved by the Cabinet at its meeting this morning. It is likely to follow the lines of the Note sent by the United States. According to the Press Association Lobby Correspondent, it will, in all probability:

1—Ask for full compensation.

2—Demand that immediate and effective steps be taken by the Japanese to prevent similar incidents.

3—Request general assurances for the safety of British nationals, ships and other property.

Punishment of those responsible for the Yangtse incidents may not be insisted upon.

ITALY NOT TO PROTEST

It is learned in authoritative circles in Rome that Italy will not protest to Japan regarding the death of the Italian journalist Sandro Sandri, who lost his life in the sinking of the Panay. The Italians consider that it is for the Americans to protest. It is argued, however, that mistakes of the kind which caused Signor Sandri's death are inevitable in war and due to the fact that foreign ships are passing through a belligerent zone.

DUM-DUM BULLETS RUMOUR

The President of the Board of Trade (Mr. Stanley) assured Mr. Banfield (Labour, Wednesbury), in the House of Commons yesterday, that, despite a Japanese news service report, no licences for the export for war purposes, to China or elsewhere, of the so-called dum-dum type of bullet had been granted.

NEW PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT

CAPITAL SET UP IN PEIPING

The creation yesterday of a Provincial Government in China, "replacing the Nanking Government," is announced in a Domei Agency message from Peiping. It is stated that the Chairman, Tang Erh-Ho, read a proclamation, in which he stated that the new Administration aimed: Firstly, at the abolition of one-party politics; secondly, at absolute resistance to Communism; thirdly, at the promotion of friendly relations with neighbouring countries for the development of the moral doctrines of East Asia, and, fourthly, at the furtherance of industries.

Peiping is named as the capital of the new Government, which is expected to enlarge its influence over the whole of North China, and possibly down to the Yangtse area.

EAST HOPEI

According to Japanese reports, the so-called autonomous anti-Communist State of East Hopei has dissolved itself, and proclaimed its allegiance to the Provisional Government of the Republic of China at Peiping.

All the so-called Peace Maintenance Commissions in Hopei, including those in Peking and Tientsin, have followed suit; but it is announced that the autonomous Governments in the provinces of Shansi and Suiyuan will not join at present.

ALL NANKING UNDER JAPAN

HOUSES BURNED BY RETREATING CHINESE

Japanese forces are now completely in control of Nanking, and all hostilities within the walls have ceased, according to the Japanese Army spokesman.

Japanese Press reports state that Hsiakwan, the waterfront district, was occupied on Monday afternoon, when the defenders were routed after a severe artillery movement.

Nanking is hidden by huge clouds of smoke, according to the Japanese spokesman, the Chinese troops having set fire to everything as they fled up river in large numbers.

It is feared that large numbers of Chinese troops who were unable to evacuate the Nanking area are now trapped by Japanese troops on three sides and by Japanese men-of-war on the fourth.

The Chinese admit the fall of Pukow, on the opposite side of the river to Nanking, and say that the main body of the Chinese troops who retreated from Nanking are now concentrated at Pucheng, the first railway station northwards from Pukow.

The Japanese residents in the Hongkew district of Shanghai, wildly waving flags, staged a monster parade yesterday to celebrate the fall of Nanking. The start of the parade was watched by the Japanese Consul-General. The paraders included the wharves in their march, lustily shouting "Banzai" to the flag ship Izumo in mid-stream.

Japanese policy in China, following the fall of Nanking, was discussed yesterday by Viscount Ishii, Japanese People's Envoy to Europe, in an interview with Reuter.

Viscount Ishii, who is now staying in London, is one of the most distinguished Japanese diplomats, with a famous record both as Ambassador and Foreign Minister.

He made it clear that his mission was unofficial, and that he had not been sent by his Government.

Asked first about the attacks by Japanese batteries and aeroplanes on British and American shipping, Viscount Ishii said that he thought the Japanese might well have been mistaken.

"The Chinese have been continually using the flags of foreign Powers to disguise their movements," he said.

"Aviators especially, looking down from a height, might be deceived."

When it was pointed out that ships like the Bee and the Panay had been known on the Yangtse for years, Viscount Ishii replied frankly that in the absence of information from home he would not attempt to defend the bombing.

BRITAIN'S NOTE

The Prime Minister and Mr. Eden were in consultation last night, and other Ministers are in close touch with every phase of the situation.

Britain's Note will in all probability—

1—Ask for full compensation;

2—Demand that immediate and effective steps be taken by the Japanese to prevent further occurrences of the kind; and

3—Request general assurances for the safety of British nationals, ships and other property.

MOUNTJOY SQUARE

BILL TO ACQUIRE CITY PARK

At the meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the Dublin Corporation last night, a letter was read from the Rev. W. Anderson, one of the Commissioners of Mountjoy square, suggesting the taking over by agreement of one half of the square for use as a public park and pleasure ground. It was decided that no further negotiations be entered into, as a bill to take over the square will be introduced into the Dail.

The Committee decided to ask the Town Planning Consultants to give their views on the proposals submitted by the Traffic and "Safety First" Association of Ireland for the construction of a road and 'bus termini on the site of the old tobacco store at the Customs House Dock.

The reports of the City Engineer and the City Architect, who propose the taking over of a site at Blessington street for public baths, were adopted.

The consideration of draft by-laws designed to supplant the present by-laws of the city, with a view to the more rigorous prevention of street nuisances, was postponed.

These draft laws provide for the prohibition of the distribution of printed advertising matter in the streets or in public vehicles, and the indiscriminate throwing away of refuse and the painting of slogans on roads and public places.

DIED IN HUNTING-FIELD

South Devon Foxhounds were in full cry after a fox near Ashburton, yesterday, when followers noticed Mr. W. H. Jervis sway in his saddle and collapse. Death followed within a few minutes, and the hounds were called off for the day. Mr. Jervis, who was 73, was one of the oldest members of the Hunt. He lived at Ingsdon Burn, near Newton Abbot.

To Close All Shops on Christmas Day

Labour Amendment To Trading Bill

AMONG the proposals to be made by the Labour Party by way of amendments to the Shop (Hours of Trading) Bill are the closing of all shops throughout the Free State on Christmas Day, and the prohibition of the sale of tobacco, cigarettes, etc., on Sundays. Labour members have tabled over fifty amendments for the Committee stage.

Deputies McGowan and Murphy also propose that shop owners, instead of giving their assistants holidays on Easter Monday, Whit Monday or the first Monday in August, may do so on Ascension Thursday, Feast of Corpus Christi, Feast of SS. Peter and Paul, and the Feast of the Assumption. A proprietor desiring to make the change would be required to give his staff at least one month's notice of it.

Deputies Norton and Hurley seek to make it mandatory on proprietors of shops to close on public holidays. The business exempted from this obligation would be post offices, the sale of medicines and surgical appliances, sale of drink (retail), refreshment houses, and exempted businesses generally.

TRAVELLING SHOPS

An amendment enabling traders and their employés to apply to the Minister for orders prescribing a particular day as that on which a half-holiday must be given has been proposed by Deputies Norton and Pattison. On being satisfied that there is a general demand for such an order the Minister may make it.

Deputies Davin and McGowan will move that the provisions of the bill should apply to travelling shops as well as to other kinds of shops.

In regard to Sunday closing, the bill enables the Minister to suspend the sections requiring shops to close on Sundays in a particular area. Deputies Heron and Pattison, on behalf of Labour, propose that the provision should apply only in areas, the populations of which do not exceed 500. There is a further amendment authorising the Minister to prescribe in respect of any shop to which the exemption order applies such limitation or re-Sunday opening.

A WHALE OF A WHALE

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

ROSSLARE HARBOUR, Tuesday.

A huge whale was observed in Rosslare Bay this morning. Coxswain James Wickham, of Rosslare Harbour lifeboat, saw it north of Rosslare Pier.

"It was about eighty feet long," he said. "I thought it was a vessel floating bottom up, and I was about to summon the crew to go out when it spouted water forty feet into the air and dived. It lay on the surface for about twenty minutes and was surrounded by sea birds."

Worst Blizzard For Years

Blocked Lines Delay Express Seven Hours

Two Men Killed : Schools Closed Towns Isolated

AN express train was held up for seven hours, towns and villages isolated, schools closed, and two men were killed in the terrible weather conditions experienced all over Britain yesterday.

By nightfall fog had caused black-out conditions in some areas, while floods added to traffic confusion.

Scotland had one of the worst blizzards for years, and the town of Lanark was completely isolated by 4ft. snowdrifts. Floods occurred in Kent, and several roads to the south of Maidstone were reported to be two feet under water.

The train from Edinburgh, which should have reached Euston at 7.30 a.m., did not reach Carlisle by an alternative route until 8.41 a.m. The passengers arrived at Euston at 4 p.m.

The high drifts blocking the line between Edinburgh and Carlisle, on the Carstairs side of Cobbinshaw, delayed other trains, which, with the London express, had to take their turn in travelling over an alternative route. Snow ploughs were brought out to clear the track.

Passengers on the train took their delay in good part. Their only complaint seemed to be that there had been nothing to eat on the train—there was no dining car attached.

Last night snowstorms delayed L.M.S. trains from the North to London, and fog delayed Southern Railway trains in the Sevenoaks (Kent) area, where frost also affected the track circuit signals.

BROTHERS KILLED

Two brothers, Andrew and Alexander Turner, examining the railway line at West Calder, were killed when they were hit by an engine pushing a snow plough.

Ten-foot drifts on the Edinburgh-Peebles road near Leadburn made road travel impossible. The 'bus service was completely suspended last night, and schools in the rural areas were compelled to close down owing to transport being cut off.

Following sharp frost during the previous night, heavy snow showers fell continuously at Princetown, Devon, where roads are now in a dangerous condition.

Several lakeland hamlets are snowbound, and telephone communications have broken down. Drifts in some places are ten feet deep. Snow fell again during yesterday. Transport drivers at Kendal were stranded on Monday night, and, unable to find accommodation, walked round and round the town to keep warm.

On the Carlisle-Glasgow road over fifty vehicles were in one collision. One vehicle collided with another, and following traffic became involved. The road is completely blocked; none of the vehicles can move.

SEVERE WEATHER CONDITIONS

TRAFFIC HELD UP ON WIDE AREA

Many rural roads near Drogheda are still in a very dangerous condition, being ice-bound for long stretches. All motor traffic has still to proceed cautiously on the Drogheda-Navan, Drogheda-Ardee, and Drogheda-Clogherhead roads.

Mrs. Whearty, of Chord road, Drogheda, sustained severe injuries to her hip when she slipped on the ice near her home.

A 'bus which failed to function when nearing the top of a hill in Drogheda, and was slipping backwards, was made fast to an E.S.B. pole with rope until aid was procured and it was towed away.

The 'bus services have not yet been resumed in Carrickmacross district. There have been numerous car and lorry skids. A pedestrian, Frank Beegan, and a cyclist, Harry Cooper, received broken collar-bones in falls.

On Monday night frost revisited the South, and in Cork four degrees of frost were recorded. Yesterday morning, in the more exposed places, streets and roads were covered by a film of ice. On the treacherous surface driving was a hazardous business, and skids and minor crashes were frequent.

SIXTH VICTIM FOUND

CONFESSIONS OF WIEDMANN

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Tuesday.

The body of Madame Jeannine Keller, the Alsatian woman to whose murder Wiedmann confessed yesterday, was today found by the police in the forest of Fontainebleau, near Barbizon, in the exact spot indicated by Weidmann. She was his sixth victim.

Completely dressed, except for one foot, and lying on the left side, Madame Keller's corpse was discovered beneath ten inches of sand in the so-called "Brigands' Cave," a little over a mile from the town. The cave is surrounded by rocks.

A plan had been drawn up by Wiedmann, and the body was revealed almost as soon as the policemen's spades touched the sand.

Madame Keller was wearing a gold wedding ring and a dress ring with two diamonds.

It says much for the accuracy of the self-confessed killer's statements that the police officers, who did not arrive at Barbizon till dusk, were able to light on the corpse within a very short time in the huge forest.

Arthur Edward Evans (26), formerly a farm labourer on Lundy Island, now of Selly Hill road, Birmingham, was acquitted at Birmingham Assizes on a charge of uttering letters demanding £80 with menaces from a Mrs. "Z." He was discharged.

REPUBLICANS RELEASED

ELEVEN MEN SENT HOME

SIX REMAIN IN CUSTODY

STATEMENT BY MR. M. TWOMEY

ELEVEN Republican prisoners, including Mr. Maurice Twomey, were released from the "Glasshouse," the Curragh Camp, County Kildare, yesterday, and allowed to go to their homes. The men were serving sentences of varying lengths, and in some cases had only been in the prison for a few months. They were not notified beforehand that they were to be released, and the order to go home came as a complete surprise.

They took the train to the Kingsbridge, where they were met by about fifty men of the Irish Republican Army. When they left the train they were cheered by a number of people who had accompanied the guard to the station, and immediately afterwards an informal reception was held in An Stad, Cavendish row. The released men were met at the station by Mr. M. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Con Lehane, Mr. Sean McBride and Mr. J. Hannigan.

MR. TWOMEY'S STATEMENT

In a short statement Mr. Twomey said that he could not understand the standard by which the men were selected for release. "For example," he said, "the main charge against the prisoners who are still detained is possession of arms, while this is also the charge against most of those released. Dom Collins and Tom Mellett (two of those released) were sentenced this year to four years and eighteen months respectively on charges of being in possession of arms, and they are among those released. Republicans will intensify the demand for the release of those still detained in the Curragh, of Michael Conway in Mountjoy, and of I.R.A. men held in Belfast Jail by the Craigavon Government."

"Prisoners," he added, "are not permitted to receive anything from outside except clothing. Books, magazines and newspapers are not permitted."

The men who were released yesterday are:—J. D. (Dom) Collins, Waterstown, Sallins, County Kildare; Matt Callan, William Collins, Charles Hoey and Hugh Downey, all of Drogheda; Michael McCarthy and R. J. McCarthy, both of Cork city; Sean McNeelan and Edward Corrigan, both of Ballyeroy, County Mayo; Thomas Mellett, Ballinrobe, County Mayo, and Maurice Twomey, Dublin.

Those still detained are:—Michael O'Leary, Dublin; John Fitzsimons, Dublin; Martin Calligan, Kilmihill, County Clare; Thomas Grogan, Drogheda; Sean Hartnett, Carrigtwohill, and Michael Conway, Clonmel.

REASON FOR RELEASE

It is understood that the decision to release the prisoners was come to at a meeting of the Executive Council yesterday. The reasons for coming to that decision are not stated, but it is assumed that the approach of the Christmas season had a certain influence in regard to it, as well as the fact that the new Constitution comes into operation before the end of the year.

On the day of the opening of the present session of the Dail, on October 6 last, a question was put to the President by Deputy William O'Brien, of the Labour Party, asking whether an amnesty might be extended to the political prisoners. The President, in reply, said that it was the duty of the Government to protect the lives and property of citizens, and if they were satisfied that the release of a prisoner would be consistent with that duty they were always prepared to consider his case.

At that time there were, according to the President, nineteen such persons in custody, including one sentenced to death, but whose sentence was commuted to penal servitude for life; twelve others who were convicted of crimes of violence, shooting with intent, assault and kidnapping, and two who were sentenced for membership of an unlawful association.

FROM "THE TIMES"

(BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT.)

THE VAN ZEELAND REPORT

M Van Zeeland's report on the mission entrusted to him eight months ago by the British and French Governments is expected before Christmas, and *The Times*, in a leading article to-day, observes:—When the report is received it will be the duty of the two Governments to decide with the least possible delay what action they can take upon it, in order to initiate the long-promised drive for restoring healthier conditions in world trade. They cannot have received much encouragement from the reports prepared by the Economic and Financial Committees of the League for the approaching meeting of the League Council, which throw little, if any, fresh light upon the problems they were asked to investigate. These Committees, after long cogitation, find themselves unable to recommend anything more effective than further inquiries and more committees to make them.

It is certainly to be hoped that M. Van Zeeland's report and the suggestions accompanying it will be more to the purpose. Over ten years ago the Governments accepted the unanimous resolution of the Economic Conference of 1927, that an effort should be made to remove the impediments which were choking international trade but nothing has been done to translate this agreement into action. Since that time matters have become very much worse, and the inability of Governments to agree upon any concerted action to meet a common danger has discredited the whole idea of international co-operation, with results both economic and political, which everyone admits to be disastrous.

The present tendency everywhere—it is, of course, the accepted practice in all the totalitarian countries—is for every nation, adds *The Times*, to take stock first of the needs of its own population and of its own resources, actual and potential, and to frame its foreign trade policy to fit its own internal structure. The only practicable method of advance is not to oppose this development, but, accepting it as an inevitable consequence of post-war conditions, to work out arrangements by which the various national economic units can co-operate to their mutual advantage. In this way it may be possible by degrees to re-create a flourishing international trade.

At the Belfast Custody Court yesterday, before Mr. J. H. Campbell, R.M., 29 bookmakers were each fined £5.

NEW FREE STATE MINISTRY AT ROME

Dail and Annexation of Abyssinia

DEPUTIES OBJECT TO RECOGNITION

Mr. De Valera and the Representative in Spain

THE moving of a supplementary estimate of £10 by President de Valera, in the Dail yesterday, in connection with the decision to appoint a representative to the Quirinal, gave rise to a debate, during which members expressed themselves opposed to any step which was calculated to recognise Italy's annexation of Abyssinia.

When Mr. de Valera announced that the Free State representative was being accredited to the King of Italy, styled "King of Italy and Emperor of Ethiopia," Mr. Norton remarked that this country was lining up with some other States in recognising the greatest piece of international violence and injustice committed during this century.

Earlier in the day Mr. de Valera was questioned as to the Free State's representative in Spain, and it was suggested that this country should take up the same attitude as Great Britain had adopted recently.

Mr. de Valera said that the Free State representative in Spain was never accredited to the Government at Valencia. He was in contact with General Franco's Government, and there was, therefore, no need to send a representative in a different capacity.

ITALIAN FRIENDSHIP

President DE VALERA, in moving the supplementary estimate of £10, said that it had been decided to accredit a representative to the Quirinal. For many years there had been informal conversations concerning the exchange of diplomatic representatives between the Free State and Italy. It had been the policy of the Government here to establish diplomatic relations with the principal countries of the world for reasons of vital national importance. Italy was the last great country in Europe with which we had not exchanged diplomatic relations.

There had always been a great friendship between the two countries. The names of St. Columbanus and other great Irish saints who had helped Italy were still revered in Italy, and Irishmen travelling in that country had always received a particularly warm welcome. The present decision to appoint a diplomatic representative to the Quirinal was taken to return the friendly gesture of Italy in appointing a diplomatic representative here last summer. The estimate was only for two months of the present financial year, and the cost would be £897, but as a saving had been effected in other branches the additional amount required would be only £10.

QUESTION OF RECOGNITION

Mr. NORTON (Lab., Kildare)—Has the Minister been appointed yet?

President DE VALERA—No.

Professor O'SULLIVAN (U.I., Kerry)—What is the exact title of the personage to whom he is being accredited?

President DE VALERA—The King of Italy; he is styled "King of Italy and Emperor of Ethiopia."

Mr. NORTON—Does this involve recognition of the Italian annexation of Abyssinia?

President DE VALERA—No. It recognises the name taken by the Italian Sovereign, and which has to be recognised by general courtesy in the comity of nations.

Mr. O'BRIEN (Lab., Tipperary)—Has France recognised that title?

President DE VALERA said that the title had to be used when an exchange of diplomatic representatives was taking place.

Mr. O'BRIEN—What countries up to this have recognised it?

President DE VALERA gave a long list of countries, which, he said, by letters of credence, the appointment of Consular representatives at Addis Ababa, or by formal act, had given recognition. When changing Ministers, or appointing new Ministers, countries had to take the title which was the title assumed in the State itself.

"MOST UNFORTUNATE"

Mr. NORTON said that the President had kept until the last what had been the tit-bit of the whole estimate. What they ought to have been told at first was that we were now appointing a Minister to Italy, and that by the letters of credence which he would present we were formally recognising Italy's annexation of Abyssinia. It was remarkable that the list of countries which the President said had already done so were mainly South American States and a few other States which had supported Italy's act of aggression against Abyssinia. We were now lining up with these States in recognising the greatest piece of international violence and injustice committed during this century. It was not so long ago since the President stood up at Geneva to condemn this outrageous violence, and had asked the House to pass a bill imposing sanctions on Italy.

It was a most unfortunate event that the President at that stage should ask them to appoint a Minister to Italy, especially in view of the fact that they proposed by the formal letter of credence, not merely to recognise Italian economic and political influence over, but the complete annexation of, Ethiopia. Would the President tell them the volume of their trade with Italy. Was that volume of trade such that they must, at this stage, while this whole question of the recognition of Italy's annexation of Abyssinia was occupying such an important place in European politics, rush headlong into making this hasty appointment? Italy the other day told the world that she had withdrawn from the League of Nations simply because it had not come to heel when Mussolini chose to ask the League to do so. If there was any nation that ought to stand out against this recognition it was this. The President would do well to withdraw this estimate.

NO QUARREL WITH ITALY

President DE VALERA said that they, along with many nations of the League of Nations, had adopted the policy of the imposition of sanctions, but later—in 1936—they, together with the other nations, decided to remove sanctions, because they had to admit that they had failed in their purpose. For a number of years they had been having informal talks with Italy in regard to the establishment of a Legation in Rome. They had, in accordance with their general policy, been anxious to have a representative at Rome.

Mr. A. HERON (Labour, Dublin County)—For what purpose?

President DE VALERA—For the same purpose as we have them in the United States, France, Berlin, and so on.

Mr. HERON—Have we any export trade?

President DE VALERA—Trade is not the fundamental thing in regard to diplomatic representation abroad. In a variety of ways it is important for a State like ours, which is claiming recognition among the States of the world, that we should be represented in all the countries of the world.

Every State that wants to change a Minister or establish a new Ministry must of necessity, in accordance with international custom, give to the Sovereign of that State the title that he has assumed in that State. It was a certainty that every State would have to do it, and were they to postpone a thing that was long overdue. They had taken that decision on the basis that that could not effect the question of Ethiopia. The question for them was whether the establishment of a representative in Rome was to be done, or whether they were to wait indefinitely, knowing that their action would have nothing to do with the ultimate result. They had no immediate and direct quarrel with Italy. They had acted as one of the States in a group and as a loyal member of the League of Nations.

ITALIAN KING'S CLAIM

Mr. NORTON said that the President said that they could not help the fact that the King of Italy had chosen as his title Emperor of Ethiopia as well. His only claim to the title was the fact that the Italian military machine had been able to stifle Abyssinian independence. They had contrived to get on fairly well up to the present without a Minister. He was not aware of any irreparable loss suffered by the people. There was a time when they used to claim that his Britannic Majesty had no right to function here, because he had no moral right derived from the Irish people. The King of Italy had no moral authority to exercise any jurisdiction over Ethiopia. They were going to line up beside Germany, Austria, and Japan. The President had been very silent on the French recognition of the Emperorship of Ethiopia.

President DE VALERA said that what they were doing at the moment was recognising the fact which would be recognised by every State that had to accredit or change a Minister. Italy was one of the chief States of Europe with which they had not up to the present established diplomatic relations. They had decided that it was in the national interest that they should have this Legation established. The Italian Government 1st July had accredited a Minister to this country, and, in accordance with regular custom, they ought to send a Minister back. In doing that they were satisfied that they were doing everything that became our people and our nation. They were giving a *de facto* recognition of the title which the head of the Italian State had assumed, and which had been given him by his people.

FRANCE'S EXAMPLE

Mr. E. BENSON (U.I., Dublin Townships) said that the President had said that all countries would recognise the position when they were in the same position as this country. He had said that the appointment of a representative to Rome would not be recognition. He must be aware that France had been without an Ambassador in Rome, because she would not recognise the King of Italy as Emperor of Abyssinia.

Mr. DE VALERA said other States are acting independently in the matter now. The Irish people always received an especially warm welcome from the Italian people. Were they to wait until other States had fixed up their quarrels with Italy?

THE APPROVAL OF ANNEXATION

Mr. H. M. DOCKRELL (U.I., Dublin) said that owing to our peculiar geographical position and other circumstances we could afford to take up a high moral tone without paying the price for it. He would like the President to answer the question: did he approve of the annexa-

TO-DAY'S WEATHER

Showers of rain, sleet or snow.

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tion of Abyssinia or did he not? If he did, and if the House approved, the sooner they hastened to send their representative addressing the King of Italy as Emperor of Abyssinia the better it would be. There were a certain number of people who felt that the annexation of Abyssinia was not right, and, even if they were good friends of Italy, they must recognise that her conduct was not correct.

If they had to fall in at the tail of the Powers which had recognised the annexation of Abyssinia, he supposed that ultimately they would have to do it. But he took it they were not hungry to have representatives in foreign countries where there was nothing resting on it. From a moral point of view he felt that they should go slowly. They had got to say to themselves: would it be right or would it be wrong. If they felt that it was right, they should immediately recognise it. If it was not right, they should fall in at the tail.

Mr. DE VALERA asked why he should speak to the House on a subject that was not before the House. When there was a question that something could be done the Government was not slow in dealing with the question and took action. Why should he be asked to talk about whether they considered the annexation of Abyssinia right or wrong? They dealt with it when it was before the House and took action.

Mr. O'BRIEN—You are going back on it now.

Mr. DE VALERA—We are not, and the Labour deputies know it.

There was interruption from Fianna Fail back benches, and the Speaker called for order.

Mr. DE VALERA said they stood firmly with the policy adopted by other States, and so long as there was anything done effectively they were there. They had come to a situation now where everybody who was not blind would see that States agreed that there was need, unless they withdrew their Ambassadors, to afford recognition. States which had special quarrels with Italy used the opportunity at the moment, but there was definitely a necessity for those relations between countries. Ultimately States that had to have Legations there would have to give the head of the State the title that he had assumed. They were giving *de facto* recognition to the title that he had assumed.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH ITALY

Mr. O'BRIEN—Unjustly assumed.

Mr. DE VALERA said it was *de facto* recognition, and there was no question of *de jure* recognition. Generally, States proceeded in that way. They could not do otherwise. They were merely recognising an existing fact, and not how it came about, the rights or wrongs of it, or the merits of it. They had been for years dealing with Italy, and negotiations had been going on for the appointment of a representative at the Quirinal. To a certain extent the negotiations were suspended during the time of sanctions. Sanctions had failed. Were they, then, to put aside their original intention, which was made before this thing happened at all, to have a Legation in Italy? Or were they to wait in order just to be at the tail?

He was not suggesting that they wanted to be in the front, but he did suggest that they ought not to wait to the tail and say: "There will not be so much about it now, because others have done it." He thought that they were doing what the national interests suggested. They were not recording any judgment on the quarrel. They had to ask themselves whether they were going to send a representative of theirs and establish that Legation. They were in no way prejudicing the ultimate result of the quarrel, and he was certain that they were not interfering with their friend, Italy. They were only doing what any other State, having advanced to the stage that they had, would do in making that appointment.

THE LAST 25 YEARS

Mr. W. O'BRIEN (Lab., Tipperary) said that if the President looked back over the last twenty-five years he would recollect that there were a great many facts that he was not prepared to recognise, such as the domination of this country by England. The President also was not prepared to recognise that the Dail was established in 1922. Those who did were subjected to a great deal of abuse and misrepresentation by the President and his colleagues.

Mr. LEMASS—Let us go back to '98.

Mr. O'BRIEN said he preferred the facts of fifteen years ago to '98. Fifteen years would cover the record of the Minister. They applauded the action of the President when he protested at Geneva against the destruction of Abyssinia. They were of the same mind still, but the President had changed.

Mr. DE VALERA—I have not.

Mr. O'BRIEN said this country was a small nation claiming independence, and they always had given their sympathy and support to other small nations seeking to establish their independence. Their sympathy had been with the South African Republic and with Egypt and India. Abyssinia had been crushed by methods that shocked the world. Nothing would be gained by establishing these relations. What was the urgency for it? Would a single farmer or worker gain an extra pound as a result of the establishment of those relations?

THE DIVISION

The voting was as follows:—

For — Fianna Fail—Deputies Aiken, Allen, Bartley, Beegan, Boland, B. Brady, Breathnach, Breslin, Briscoe, Carty, Colbert, Crowley, Davis, Derrig, de Valera, S. Flynn, A. Fogarty, P. J. Fogarty, Friel, Fuller, Gorry, Harris, Humphries, J. P. Kelly, T. Kelly, Kennedy, Lemass, Little, MacEntee, Maguire, Meaney, Moore, M. Morrissey, Moylan, Munnelly, O'Briain, O'Kelly, O'Grady, O'Reilly, O'Rourke, T. O'Sullivan, James Ryan, R. Ryan, Sheridan, Smith, Traynor, Victory, R. Walsh, Ward. Fine Gael—Deputies Bennett, Brennan, Cosgrave, Daly, Esmonde, Fagan, Fitz Gerald-Kenney, Giles, Gorey, Keating, Keogh, Linehan, McEoin, MacFadden, Minch, Nally, O'Higgins, O'Leary, O'Shaughnessy, J. M. O'Sullivan, Mrs. Redmond, Messrs. Rogers and Wall—72.

Against — Labour — Deputies Heron, Hogan, Lawlor, McGowan, Norton, O'Brien, Pattison. Fine Gael—Deputies Benson, Brazier, Dockrell. Independents —Deputy A Byrne junior—11.

THE REPRESENTATIVE IN SPAIN

IN CONTACT WITH FRANCO'S GOVERNMENT

During question time,

Mr. EAMON O'NEILL (U.I., Cork W.) asked the Minister for External Affairs if the Irish Free State representative in Spain was still accredited to the Valencia Government, and if the Executive Council would decide to alter its attitude in reference to the position of the Irish Free State representative in Spain to the extent done by Great Britain.

President DE VALERA, replying, said that the representative of Saorstat Eireann in Spain was never accredited to the Government at Valencia. As he had said on previous occasions, he was accredited in September, 1935, to the then head of the Spanish State. Their diplomatic representative was in contact with General Franco's Government. There was, therefore, no need to send a representative in a different capacity

With the great majority of European States, said President de Valera, we believe that in the existing conditions, it is in the interests of general peace and peace in Spain to continue to adhere to the non-intervention policy.

Professor O'SULLIVAN asked what was the name of the head of the State to whom their representative was accredited.

President DE VALERA said the name was Azana. There had been no change.

ECONOMIC FARMS IN MEATH

THE USE OF THEM BY ALLOTTEES

MINISTER QUESTIONED IN THE DAIL

MR. GILES (U.I., Meath-Westmeath) asked the Minister for Lands, in the Dail yesterday, if he were aware that large numbers of men in County Meath who were allotted "economic farms" in the past few years were letting these farms on the 11 months system, and were obtaining work under the Meath County Council. Was the Minister prepared to do anything to prevent this practice?

Mr. BOLAND, Minister for Lands, said that he was aware that in some instances the allottees of parcels of untenanted land had not made the best use of them, and had let them for grazing, instead of working the lands themselves. The Land Commission had for some time past had in hands the general question of the user of allotted lands, and reports had been obtained on certain estates in several counties. These reports revealed that in some instances the lands had not been worked to the best advantage.

"Where allottees continue to make lettings and fail to attend to the proper working of the lands given them," said the Minister, "the Land Commission will take steps to see that the lands are either properly worked or surrendered."

A RADIO BROADCAST

Mr. MacENTEE, Minister for Finance, replying to Mr. Nally, said he was aware that a summary of the recommendations of the Commission set up to inquire into the salaries, etc., of Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries was broadcast from Radio Athlone on December 5th. He understood that the information contained in the summary was obtained from the Dublin News Correspondent of the Broadcasting service. The Government Information Bureau issued the report only to the newspapers.

He regretted the circumstances which made it necessary to publish the report before circulation to deputies. As the deputy was probably aware, an unauthorised summary of the report appeared in the newspapers on Saturday, December 4. This fact made it, in the opinion of the Government, undesirable to defer publication any longer. This report, together with the supplementary report on Parliamentary allowances, which he hoped to receive shortly, would be circulated to deputies at the earliest possible date.

Mr. NALLY asked if the Minister were aware that 95 per cent. of the people of the Saorstat were opposed to any increases in the salaries of Ministers or Parliamentary Secretaries.

The SPEAKER—That is a seperate question.

IMPORTED APPLES

Replying to Mr. Gorey (U.I., Kilkenny), Dr. RYAN said that he was not aware of the actual quantities of apples imported by the new cider factory at Clonmel, but a licence was recently granted to the factory for the importation, free of Customs duty, of a quantity not exceeding 400 tons of apples for the manufacture of cider. The country of origin of the apples was not prescribed in the licence, but he understood that the apples were being imported from France, and that they were of particular varieties which were grown specially for the production of cider, but which were not at present grown in this country. They were required for blending with home-grown apples in order to produce cider of suitable quality. Before the licence was granted the factory undertook not only to purchase specified minimum quantities of home-grown apples, but also to provide at their own expense large quantities of trees for planting under a cider apple tree scheme administered by the local Committees of Agriculture with a view to the production of home supplies of the particular kinds of apples at present imported.

Mr. MacENTEE, Minister for Finance, informed Mr. M. Nally (U.I., Mayo, S.) that he had not yet received any report from the Banking Commission.

CORK CITY PENSION PROPOSAL

Dr. WARD informed Mr. Norton that he had nothing to add to a previous reply given by him in connection with the proposals for legislation to enable the Cork Corporation to pay pensions to its workmen.

Mr. NORTON asked if the Parliamentary Secretary were aware that the Cork Corporation was anxious to provide its employés with a pensions scheme, and that the employés of certain other local authorities had such pensions schemes.

Dr. WARD said that the deputy might not be aware that the Cork City Council had such a proposal under consideration at a recent meeting, where the probable cost of the scheme was referred to. That matter was under investigation, but agreement had not yet been reached.

DAIL PROGRAMME

When President de Valera had outlined the order of business for the day, Mr. NORTON (Labour, Carlow-Kildare) asked if he would indicate the Parliamentary programme in the period before Christmas.

President DE VALERA said that they could adjourn for the Christmas recess when they had disposed of the following measures which were essential and urgent:—The Seanad Electoral (Panel Members) Bill, the Constitution (Consequential Provisions) Bill, the Defence Forces Bill, and the Housing and Labourers Bill. He was afraid that they would have to meet again early in January—probably before the middle of the month.

LONDONDERRY HIGH SCHOOL

RECENT SUCCESSES

In her annual report of the progress of the Londonderry High School, read to the recent meeting of the Board of Governors, the Headmistress, Miss McIlroy, M.A., stated that one of the finest traditions of the school, now sixty years old, was that of doing good work without any system of individual prizes. The school had "worked on this principle long before the theory had become so obvious to modern educationists that individual prizes and rewards may be a source of abuse, and often militate against what is now acknowledged everywhere as the finest spirit in a school—namely, the team or corporate spirit." The reward for good work lay in realising one's own talents and the dawning awareness of potentialities for contributing to the common good. She would like to emphasise that tradition in the school, and to say how well and loyally the girls worked under it.

Miss McIlroy brought to the notice of her hearers the institution of the new School Council, and said that she thought they had achieved a better and fuller realisation of self-government. The Council was made up of pupils representative of all groups in the school community, and girls and staff were enthusiastic about the innovation. She was convinced that when pupils faced problems of discipline, organisation, etc., they developed a fuller and more real sense of purpose, public spirit and usefulness. The method of restrictions, punishments, regulations being enforced automatically by the teacher was liable merely to give pain and to cause fear to the offender, without necessarily calling out her latent better qualities.

Newcomers to the staff during the past year were—Miss M. Elliott, L.R.A.M., G.R.S.M., music teacher; Miss Chiddick, first class honours, Degree in Experimental Science, T.C.D., Dip. E., T.C.D.; and Miss White, Teachers' Diploma in domestic subjects, from Glasgow, who was at Northlands. Miss Leslie, the new matron of the boarding house, was proving efficient, bringing valuable experience from the posts she held at Rugby School for Boys and at Merchiston Castle, Edinburgh. Miss Fegan, the lady cook, was also a great asset.

The head girl, Violet Breakey, had made a brilliant finish to her school career by winning, under age, a Sizarship in French and German into Trinity College, Dublin, gaining second place. The hockey teams had had a good year, the first reaching the semi-final of the Ulster Schools' Cup, and the second team took second place in their League. The dramatic society had performed "She Stoops to Conquer," and a number of debates had taken place. The Guide Company took the shield for another year, and the Guides and Brownies continued their charity work. Fifteen Guides and two Guiders had gone to camp at Foxlease, New Forest, for two weeks. Five flowering shrubs had been planted in the grounds as a Coronation celebration. Charity efforts had raised the sum of more than £39.

Miss McIlroy also made a rapid survey of the school awards, which appear in our advertising columns.

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CHINESE WAR VICTIMS

DUBLIN SOCIETY TO HELP

WORK OF THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS

MEMBERS of the League of Nations Society in Dublin have decided to set up a workshop for the making of clothes, dressings and other medical supplies for the victims of the war in China, it was announced at the mouthly luncheon of the League of Nations Society of Ireland, which was held in the Country Shop, 23 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin.

The lecturer at the luncheon was Mrs. L. O. Kingston, who spoke on "Men, Women and Refugees." She said that a great difference existed between the modern and the historical conception of the word "refugee." In history the refugee, a non-combatant, fled before the onslaught of a conquering alien soldiery; to-day the refugee was fleeing from his own country—from violence at the hands of his own people.

As a result of the governmental conference in Geneva in 1936 refugees were accorded certain rights which prevented them from being bandied about from one country to another. Questions relating to permission to work, assistance to the sick, facilities for study, and the problems of the workers still were unsettled, but amendments were being made to the arrangement of the Geneva Conference by a Liaison Committee.

REFUGEE COMMISSION

One of the amendments recently put forward dealt with the diplomatic protection of the refugee, while a new article which the Committee proposed to add to the Draft Convention contemplated the setting up of in each country of an administrative or juridical commission, to which any person who wished to benefit by the Convention should apply. The applicant might call witnesses to prove his character. A commission of this kind already existed in Belgium. The Convention was signed on August, 1936, by seven Governments. They did not include the Irish Free State, and it was hoped that this country would follow suit in supporting the Convention, as also in any attempt that was made to secure a promise from the League of Nations that the Nansen Office when its term expired would be given a fresh lease of life, or would be succeeded by a commission for the liquidation of the refugee problem.

REFORMATION

Mr. F. W. Ryan, barrister-at-law, who presided, said that some members of the society were desirous of forming a committee in Dublin to open a workroom for the making of clothing and medical dressings for the benefit of the victims of the war in China. The society had given a grant of £10 to help to start the work.

Continuing, he said that proposals for the reforming of the League of Nations were actually before a Commission of the League itself, and it was to be hoped that Ireland —as a country which had striven for freedom so much—would contribute some constructive proposals of its own for the efficacy of the League.

HOW EMPIRES GROW

FINLAY LECTURE IN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

"The modern British Empire, like that of Venice, has been in large measure a by-product of commerce," said Mr. William Keith Hancock, Professor of History in Birmingham University, lecturing on the subject, "Economic Empire," in the fifth Finlay Lecture in University College, Dublin, yesterday.

Dr. D. J. Coffey, President of the College, presided.

The theory of reluctant annexation, which is an easy mark for scoffers who point out that His Britannic Majesty has been unable to satisfy his modest needs with anything less than a quarter of the globe, said Professor Hancock, is repeatedly supported by facts. South Africa was a Dominion, but that destiny was never part of an imperial plan—at least not until the eighteen-nineties. For more than two centuries South African society kept running ahead of Governments, both British and Dutch, which wanted to tether it. To the Governments the Cape was to have been little more than a kind of tavern on the journey to India. But the population kept spreading and advancing, and instead of the 6,000-acre "farm" which the Dutch Government sought to form, each inhabitant went on trek to find a 6,000-acre farm for himself. This, however, did not apply to North America and Australia, for during the first half of the 17th century and during almost all the 20th century Great Britain and Ireland really wished to export population. This, added the lecturer, was a good thing in the modern history of the world, for it determined the character of European settlement in North America and in the South Pacific.

The two main types of empire were the empire of trade and the empire of settlement. Secondary to these were the empires of exploitments and of investment. Exploitation he defined as the development by the metropolitan economy of resources which the aboriginal population could not itself turn into wealth. This happened in the West Indies as early as the 17th century, and was happening to-day in most tropical countries. The empire of investment was a phenomenon of the 19th century, although overseas investment did not begin then. It was the scale and pace of 19th century investment that justified the historian in regarding it as a new type of economic empire. In 1914 British investors had larger holdings outside the political frontiers of the British Empire than inside them. They had sunk more money in the United States than in Canada; almost as much in Argentina as in Australia; more in Brazil than in New Zealand; and more in Chile than in all their West African possessions. As for the empire of settlement, emigration from the British Isles to the United States in the century before 1914 was more than double the emigration to all the countries under the British flag.

In conclusion, the lecturer said: "Nineteenth century conditions have passed away, but this is no reason for a blind stampede back to merchantilism and its obcession with political frontiers. The present frenzied attempts to hammer economic society into the shape of the sovereign state are grounded on ignorance of history and of sociological reality. No political empire, however big, has ever been neatly adjusted to the economic energies of the people living inside it; economic enterprise has always leaked or burst through political frontiers, inwards or outwards, or both. The merchantilist plan of imperial self sufficiency simply cannot be achieved, but the attemp to achieve it may bring untold evil upon humanity."

(Continued from Previous Column.)

CARLOW COUNTY FINANCES

WARNING FROM MINISTER

GOVERNMENT BLAMED FOR POSITION

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

CARLOW, Tuesday.

A SERIOUS financial position was disclosed at a special meeting of the Carlow County Council to-day, when the Secretary (Mr. J. Keogh) said that only 44 per cent. of the rates had been collected for the present financial year, and it was with the greatest effort that he got the Minister to sanction an overdraft of £25,000 to the 31st December.

The Minister for Local Government asked to be informed what view the Council took of the situation and what action they proposed to take to remedy it. The rate collectors stated that they had done their best to collect the rates. They agreed that some defaulters were in a position to pay, but a great many farmers found it very difficult to meet their liabilities.

Mrs. Smyth, accountant, said that there was £19,604 due to the Council in connection with the agricultural grant which was withheld owing to defaulting annuitants.

Chairman (Mr. J. A. Kehoe)—If the Government collected the annuities and paid us what is due under the agricultural grant we would be perfectly solvent.

Secretary—If the overdraft is not sanctioned to the 31st March next, and if the rates are not collected, you will have to dismiss the men working on the roads.

It was decided to instruct the solicitor to institute proceedings against all rate collectors and their sureties who fail to lodge by the 15th January, 1938, fifty per cent. of their warrants. It was ordered that the attention of the Minister be directed to the large amount, £19,604 arrears of agricultural grant withheld from the Council.

ARDEE SHOW AND SALE

GENERAL INCREASE IN PRICES

BEST BEAST FETCHES £37

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

ARDEE, Tuesday.

ARDEE fat stock show was held here to-day in very bad weather. Heavy snow fell all the morning, while a very strong gale made travelling conditions very difficult. The roads around Ardee were ice and snowbound since Saturday last, and it was only with the greatest difficulty the exhibitors brought their stock to the show. There were up to 150 entries to be judged, compared with slightly over one hundred last year.

The highest price in the show was obtained by Miss N. Braddell for the best beast in the show, the price per cwt. being 64s., or £37 for an 11¼ cwt. beast. The other prices obtained ranged from £15 to £30 a head.

The auctioneers were Messrs. McKieran and McGee.

AWARDS

Bullock, over 12 cwt.—1, Mrs. M. E. Braddell, Parsonstown Slane; 2, Mr. J. R. Gray, Harristown, Ardee; 3, Mr. G. R. Hoey, Ratholland.

Bullock, under 12 cwt.—1, Miss N. Braddell, Parsonstown, Slane; 2, Mr. J. R. Gray, 3, Mr. Philip Halpenny, Batestown, Ardee.

Best Heifer, any weight—1 and 2, Mr. G. R. Hoey; 3, Mr. Chr. Dillon, Davenstown, Slane.

Baby Beef, bullock or heifer having no permanent incisors—1, Mr. Patrick King, Mullardillon Louth; 2, Executors of Mrs. M. Slevin, Mentrim Mills, Ardee.

Bullock or Heifer, with two permanent incisors—1, Mr G. R. Hoye; 2, Executors of Mrs. Slevin; 3, Mr. James T. McGee, Roodstown, Ardee.

Three Fat Bullocks—1, Mr. J. R. Gray; 2, Mr. Sam A. McKeever, Rahood, Nobber; 3, Mr. Joseph G. McKeever Stickillen, Ardee.

Three Fat Heifers—1, Mr. Joseph G. McKeever.

Fat Cow—Mr. P. L. McGee, Kilpatrick.

Best beast in show for Ardee Town Commissioners Cup and Messrs. Kieran and McGee Cup—Miss N. Braddell, Parsonstown, Slane.

THE SALES

Prices at the sales included:—Bullocks, over 12 cwt.—Mr. B. L. Coleman, Ballylrack, Dundalk, to Mr. Oliver, at £22; Mr. John Goodman, The Crest, Dundalk, to Mr. Cullen, Dublin, at £23 10s.; Mr. Goodman to Mr. Oliver, at £26; Mr. C. J. Neary, Monvallet, Louth, to Mr. McGovern, at £26; Mr. J. R. Gray to Mr. Oliver, at £25 10s.; Mr. Gray also secured £24 for another beast from the same purchaser.

Bullocks, under 12 cwt.—Mr. Gray to Mr. J. Murray, Drogheda, at £23; Mr. Halpenny to the same purchaser at the same price; Mr. Coleman to Mr. McMahon at £20; Mr. Sam McKeever to Mr. Cullen at £19 15s.; Master Maxwell McKeever to the same buyer at the same price; Mr. J. T. McGee to Mr. Fennell, Dundalk, at £18 10s. each.

Heifers (any weight)—Mr. Hoey to Mr. J. Robinson at £18; Mr. C. Dillon to Mr. Fennell, Dundalk, at £15 10s.; Mr. S. Hawes, Tullykeel, to Mr. Nolan, Carrickmacross, at the same price.

Baby Beef—Mr. Patrick King to Mr. Hoey, Ratholland, at £18; Mrs. Slevin to the same buyer at £19; Mr. Coleman to Mr. T. Woods, Drogheda, at £14; Mr. Hoey to Mr. J. Murray, Drogheda, at £18; Mr. G. R. Hoey to Mr. Goodman at £18.

Three Fat Bullocks—Mr. Sam McKeever to Mr. Oliver, Dublin, at £22 5s. each, and to Mr. G. R. Hoey at £25 each; Mr. J. R. Gray to Mr. William Wall, Drogheda, at an average of £26 each; Mr. Patrick Malone to Mr. J. Murray at £15 15s.; Mr. J. G. McKeever to Mr. J. Murray at £21 10s. each.

HOOVER DANCE AND DINNER

MANY TRIBUTES TO THE FIRM

Methods of scientific salesmanship were discussed last night at a meeting in Belfast of the salesmen of Hoover, Ltd., when a dinner and dance was held in the Carlton to celebrate the victory of the Western Division, of which Belfast is part, in a sales contest. Mr. C. A. Gowdy presided, and there was a large attendance.

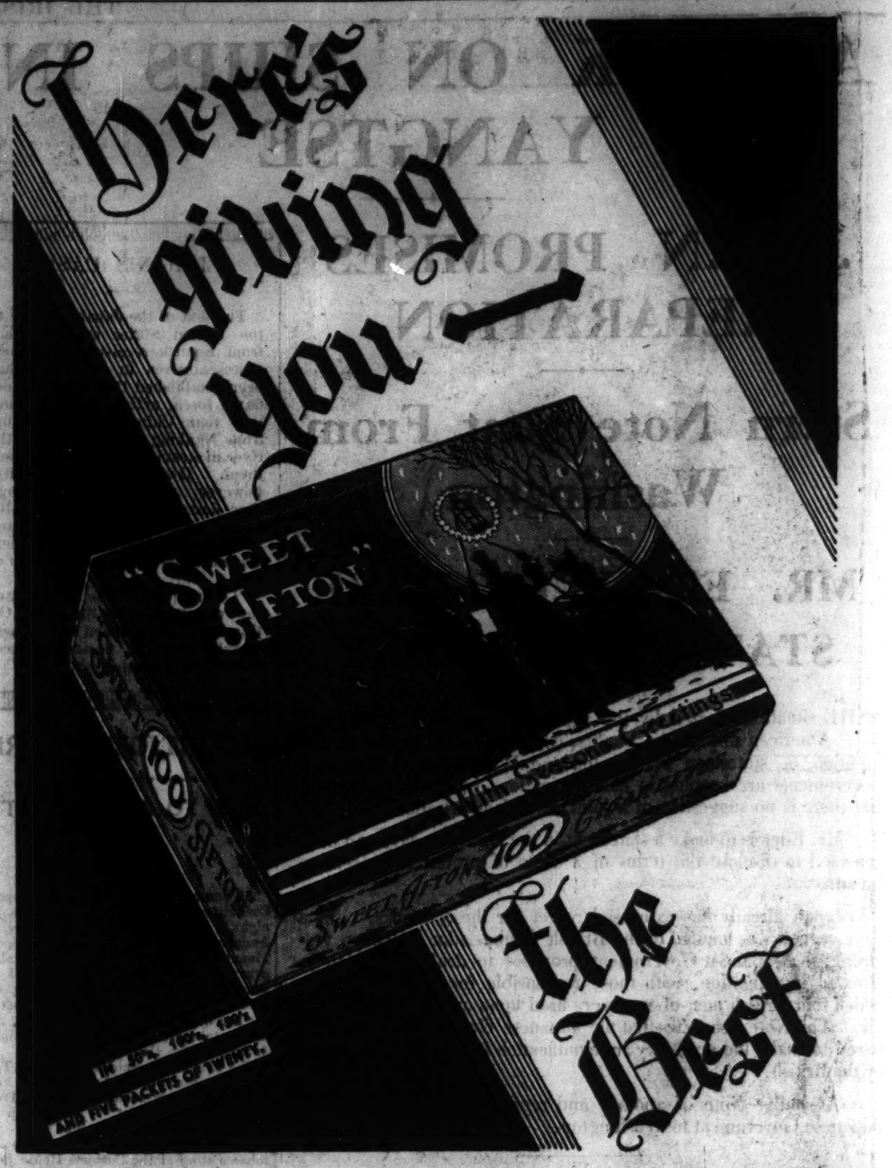
Mr. C. H. Crawley, who proposed the toast of Belfast District 41, said that he was proud to be head of the Western Division, which included the district.

Mr. C. A. Gowdy, responding, said that marvellous opportunities existed in Hoover, Ltd., to make a sales career, and few other companies gave such co-operation and reward to the men who worked for them.

Mr. W. J. Ellis, proposing the toast of "Hoover, Ltd.," said that the growth of the business in Ireland had been wonderful.

Mr. F. H. Bunn, general sales manager, said that those associated with Hoover, Ltd., had three things to be grateful for—first, their product, which was a masterpiece; secondly, their company, which was well managed and soundly financed; and, thirdly, their market. In the last five years Hoover sales had more than doubled, and they were looking forward to the time when they would sell half-a-million machines each year.

Mr. R. J. Fleming proposed the toast of "The Ladies," to which Mrs. W. J. Ellis responded.



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IRISH WEDDINGS

MR. P. LEGGE AND MISS C. DWYER

At St. Colman's Cathedral, Cobh, Co. Cork, the wedding took place yesterday of Mr. Peter Legge, younger son of Brigadier-General W. K. Legge, C.M.G., D.S.O., and Mrs. Legge, Camber Bye, Sussex, to Miss Claire Dwyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Dwyer, Elmville, Rushbrooke, Co. Cork.

The Rev. J. W. Sheehy, Adm., Cathedral, officiated, and the altar was beautifully decorated with flowers. M. Staf Gebruers presided at the organ. There was a large gathering present. The bride was dressed in parchment grande, embroidered with gold; her headdress was ornamented with small gold leaves and orange blossom around the top, and her flowing veil was of exquisite tulle. She carried a sheaf of lilies.

The bride was given away by her father, and her bridesmaids were the Misses Maeve and Doreen Dwyer and Miss Pelly. The best man was Mr. Roy Byrne, and the groomsmen were Messrs. John Dwyer and Kevin Kearney.

There were about seventy guests at the reception, which was held at the bride's home. The honeymoon is to be spent abroad.

The dresses of the bride and the bridesmaids were specially designed by Maeve, 29 Dawson street, Dublin.

MR. C. SMYLIE AND MISS R. CUNNINGHAM

Mr. Cecil Smylie, son of Mr. James G. Smylie and the late Mrs. Smylie, was married in the McCracken Memorial Church, Belfast, yesterday to Miss Ruby Cunningham, daughter of Mr. Herbert Cunningham, Khyamera avenue, and the late Mrs. Cunningham.

The Rev. T. M. Johnstone, D.D., performed the ceremony, assisted by the Rev. William Buchanan, who is uncle of the bridegroom. Mr. John Cunningham, cousin of the bride, was best man, and Mr. Tom McIlwaine groomsman.

The bride wore an embroidered gown of white satin. She carried a sheaf of harrisi lilies, lily of the valley and white heather.

She was accompanied by four bridesmaids—her cousin, Miss Iris Robinson; Miss Clair McKechnie, and the bridegroom's sisters, Miss Nan Smylie and Miss Olive Smylie.

Guests were entertained in Belfast Castle during the afternoon. The honeymoon will be spent in Southern England.

MR. W. GRAHAM AND MISS I. D. REID

Miss Inez Denning Reid, daughter of the Northern Taxing Master, and Mrs Samuel Reid, Glenmola, Cregagh, Belfast, and Mr. William Graham, M.A., LL.B., son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Graham, Kirkintilloch, Dumbartonshire, were married at Knock Presbyterian Church, Belfast, yesterday. The Rev. F. A. Elliott Burrows, M.A., and the Rev. M. A. Thompson officiated.

Miss Reid wore a gown of deep ivory pearl satin cut in classical lines, and with long tight sleeves. The corsage was ornamented with a leaf design in pearls and diamanté. The veil of net had a wide border of silver, and was mounted on a coronet of pearls and waxed bridal blossoms, and she carried a sheaf of harissi lilies and lilies of the valley.

Her sister, Miss Patricia Reid, Miss Kathleen Graham and Miss Marcon Nicholl were bridesmaids, and Miss Leonie Bebe was trainbearer.

The honeymoon will be spent in London and on the Continent.

Mr. and Mrs. Reid held a reception in the Grand Central Hotel after the wedding.

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL CLUB

ANNUAL "COLOUR" DANCE

The Cambridge University Rugby football team were ably entertained last night when Dublin University Football Club held its annual "Colour" dance in the Metropole Ballroom. The dance is always one of the most popular of the season, and is attended by a very large number of people who assemble to entertain the visiting team from Oxford or Cambridge. The attendance was even better than usual last night, and dancing, which commenced at 9 p.m., continued until 3 a.m.

The brightly-coloured blazers worn by the members of the various athletic clubs present contributed to make an exceptionally gay scene in the ballroom, which had been decorated for the occasion with the club colours.

In the densely-packed ballroom it was difficult to distinguish personalities, but among those present were:—The Lord Mayor of Dublin, Dr. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Franks, Mr. M. McCann, Mr. J. Purser, Mr. B. W. T. Ritchie, Mr. J. S. Moore, Mr. A. E. de la T. Mallett, Mr J. G. Forrest, Mr. E. D. Reed, Mr. R. Bruce-Lockhart, Mr. J. D. Low, Mr. F. M. Heath, Mr. P. Spencer, Mr. P. Lindsay, Mr. L. Newton-Thompson, Mr. E. L. Folker, Mr. P. J. Bateman-Champain Mr. F. Way, Mr. T. E. Guy, Mr. C. V. Boyle, Mr. J. C. Martin.

Mr. F. W. Parke, Mr. E. McG. Cochrane, Mr. N. J. Hogan, Mr S. W. McCall, Mr. T. Clements, Mr. J. O'Neill Donnellan, Mr. M. F. Graham, Mr. W. Jones, Mr. G. E. Neville, Mr. W. A. Pike, Mr. T. F. Roche, Mr. J. N. Wilkinson, Mr. C. W. Grove White, Mr. G. A. C. Stirling, Miss Mary Dobbs, Mr. Owen Keane, Miss Dorothy O'Neill, Dr. and Mrs. F. Gill, Miss Sybil Seymour, Mr. W. H. Carson, K.C.; Professor Alton, Mr. McCaughey, Mr. John Grove White, Miss M. Wilson, Mr. G. Anderson, Mr. P. Bradfield, Miss C. Richards Orpen, Miss V. Richards Orpen.

Dr. Malcolm Thorpe, Dr. Martin Farrell, Mr. John Conan, Miss Bunty Fagan, Mr. Solomons, Miss G. Redington, Mr. John Lamokin, Miss L. Brabazon, Mr. E. Knapp, Miss Sybil Drummond, Mr. Henry Fitzgibbon, Mr. J. Anderson, Mr. E. H. Jones, Mr. T. Lenton, Mr. T. Pallen, Mr. Frank Mitchell, Miss P. Gwynn, Miss Kitty Wilkinson, Miss Sidney Dunlop, Miss C. Peel, Mr. Ross, Miss Una Cassidy, Miss Peggy Harris, Mr. John Sides, Mr. Cooke, Mr. Meredith Smith.

Mr Hampton Dongan, Miss Nancy Warren, Miss E. Pike Mr. W. Beer, Miss Betty Fitzgibbon, Mr. J. Martin, Mr. J. R. Mahon, Mr. Welwood, Mr. H. Thrift, Mr. J. Gore Grimes, Mr. E. H. Taylor, Mr. J. O'Dea, Mr. Somerville Large, Mr. T. Synnott, Mr. T. Boland, Mr. A. Belton, Mr. B. Garvin, Mr. D'Arcy, Professor Moran, Mr. W. J. Thompson, Mr. J. D. Whiteside, Mr. C. R. Griffin, Mr. J. Crooks, Mr. G. Young, Dr. G. Jackson, Dr. Jewell, Miss Daly, Miss Wright, Miss E. Roantree, Miss Luce, Miss Stuart, Miss Solomons, Miss Purser, Mrs. Heatley, Miss Northridge.

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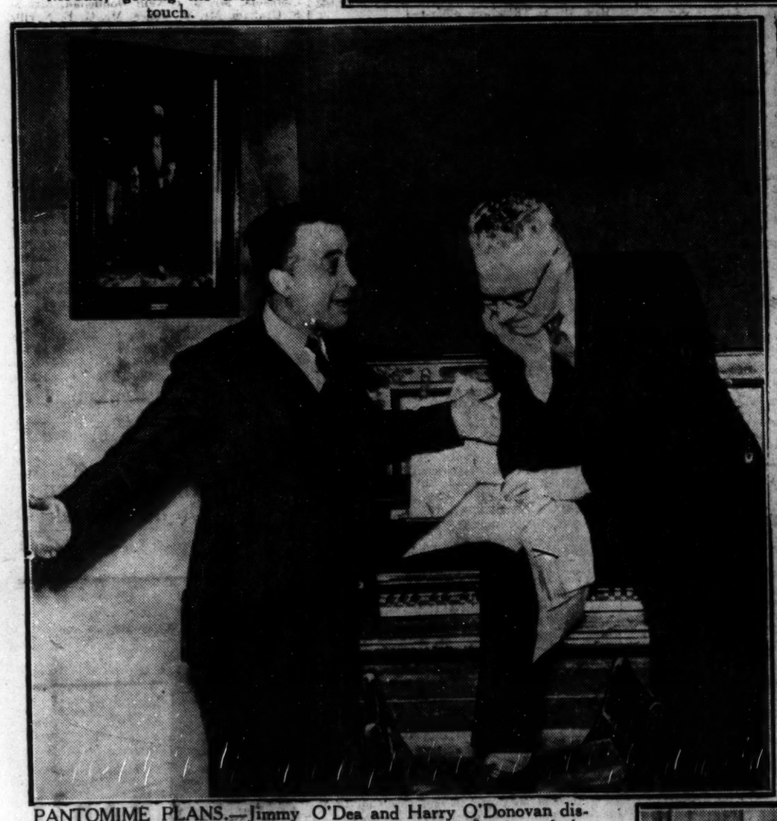
WINTER SPORT : T.C.D. COLOUR MATCH

WINTER SPORT IN DUBLIN.—These enthusiasts took advantage of the present weather to take a toboggan down the Dublin Mountains near the Hell Fire Club.

PREPARING for Christmas at the Orthopædic Hospital, Upper Merrion street, Dublin, yesterday.

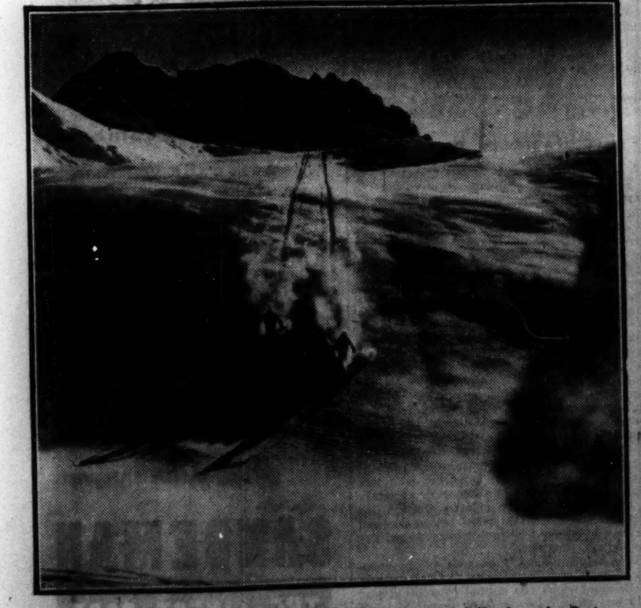
FORTITUDE.—Mr. P. S. O'Hegarty, Secretary to the Department of Posts and Telegraphs, watching, regardless of falling snow, Dublin University beat Cambridge University in yesterday's annual Colour match at College Park. Right: The Trinity scrum-half McCall, getting his kick for touch.



PANTOMIME PLANS.—Jimmy O'Dea and Harry O'Donovan discussing an important point in the forthcoming production of the Christmas pantomime "Mother Goose," at the Gaiety Theatre.

A GROUP taken at University College, Dublin, before yesterday's Finlay Memorial Lecture. From left (seated): Professor W. K. Haneock (Lecturer), Dr. D. J. Coffey (President, U.C.D.), and Professor George O'Brien. Behind: Surgeon J. C. Flood.

SINGING CHRISTMAS CAROLS at Alexandra College, Dublin, yesterday.



LIGHT AND SHADE.—An evening ski-run to Adelboden, the Swiss winter sport resort.

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Eugene O'Connell, father of the child, stated that she ate tinned salmon on Friday, and started to vomit about three o'clock on Saturday morning.

Replying to Superintendent Hurley, witness stated the child had eaten tinned salmon on other occasions, but there were no ill-effects. He could not say if the same brand of salmon had been used on these occasions.

Dr. Fani Pollecoff, house surgeon, stated that the child was vomiting on her admission to the hospital, and food poisoning was suspected. Witness performed a *post-mortem* examination, but she was unable to state the cause of death until some of the internal organs were examined.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORT

TUESDAY.

Barometer at 5 p.m.—29.10. Wind and Weather—Strong northerly winds; cloudy and cold, with sleet.

Coastwise Arrivals:—Lady Connaught from Liverpool, Lairdshill from Glasgow—with passengers and goods; Slieve Bloom from Holyhead, with goods; Coombe Dingle and Ringwall from Garston, Thelma and Ophir from Birkenhead, St. Fintan from Partington, Silverthorn from Whitehaven, Nephrite from Sunderland, The Monarch from Ayr—with coal; Clarecastle from Liverpool and Carrowdore from Manchester—with empty barrels; Gweebara from Belfast, Slieve League from Holyhead—light.

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IRISH-BRED HORSES TAKE THE HONOURS

Dominick's Cross and Mollison Capture Chief Events

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

NOTTINGHAM, Tuesday Night.

THIS meeting, I suppose, ought to consider itself fortunate in being able to carry through and escape interruption from the weather. Not a great many miles further north in Yorkshire there are snowdrifts ten feet deep, and the north of England and parts of Scotland have been swept by the worst snowstorm in many years.

We had fair weather and good fields again this afternoon, and again there were important successes for Irish-bred steeplechasers. Indeed, they dominated the market over the principal race, the Midland Handicap Steeplechase, in which Mr. Hugh Thomas's mare, Kilcash Cross, was favourite from a pair in the stable of W. Payne, Dominick's Cross and Yellow Furze.

Won by a Neck

After Noble Tipp had made the running, Dominick's Cross got up to beat him by a neck, the favourite finishing two lengths away third. The second, who is trained by Frank Furlong for Mr. F. W. E. Gradwell, had no previous form to speak of in England, and almost any price could have been had about him. He went off in front, and had never been headed until two fences from home when Kilcash Cross jumped slightly in front of him. He had taken it up again at the last fence, but Dominick's Cross just ran him out of it.

The winner, a six-year-old by La Brige or Catalin, was ridden by R. Everett, whom we do not see so often in the saddle in these days. Dominick's Cross is clearly a very smart young horse, who had done well in Ireland before Payne bought him from Mr. Donn, the owner of Argental. Yellow Furze fell in the straight.

Mollison's Best Display

Another Irish horse, Lady Lindsay's Mollison, who had done several years' good service in Ireland before he came over here, won the Mapperley Handicap Steeplechase, for which the Liverpool winner, Loyal Prince, was a clear favourite from the four-year-old Papageno. This was not one of Loyal Prince's best days, for, after Mollison had won by five lengths, Papageno beat the favourite by half a length for second place.

This was, perhaps, the best performance which Mollison has put up in this country, for he was getting only 4lb. from Loyal Prince, and the smart Novgorod, whom he was meeting at evens, did not finish in the first three.

The winning platers made better prices than such have been averaging for some time. The six-year-old High Life, after winning the Castle Steeplechase, was bought back into J. Hall's stable for 230 guineas, and Vitality, who was trained by Mr. E. S. T. Johnson at Chester, was sold for 210 guineas after beating Tosh by four lengths in the selling hurdle.

Fifty Runners in Two Races

There were no fewer than fifty runners for the last two races—twenty-four for the Welbeck Handicap Hurdle and twenty-six for the Broughton Maiden Hurdle. The former was won by Porte Bonheur, owned by Mrs. Shennan, trained by Brigadier-General Winser and ridden by Fulke Walwyn. The light was growing very bad when the race was run, and not much could be seen of it, but when they came into vision Porte Bonheur was out on his own, and then won by eight lengths from Tityus, an even more forlorn outsider than the winner.

There were joint favourites in the last race, Kans and Tregarth, and the former did the better in finishing second. Nothing ever had much chance with Mr. Whitelaw's Manteau Royal, who was a long way clear at the last hurdle, and then beat Kans by six lengths.

Selections

It appears that, in spite of the rain, the Thames has not risen very high at Windsor, and that the course there is not flooded, so that racing is likely to take place to-morrow. The New Windsor Handicap Steeplechase should be won by either CAKEWALKER or Kinship, and a preference is for the former.

The Forest Handicap Steeplechase may be won by FLYING MINUTES, and the Oak side Handicap Hurdle by MATCHES MARY.

GALTEE MORE.

CESARION MAY SCORE

Confident Vote for Holbeton Point in Windsor 'Chase

DESPITE the fact that we have had a great deal of rain recently, it will not interfere with racing at Windsor today; the course is in good order, and fields will be on the big side. The New Windsor Handicap Steeplechase is the best endowed of the events, and it promises to produce a keen race. Several of the runners will be fancied, and one such may be Holbeton Point. He has been out four times this season without recording a win, but he has performed creditably in most of his races. He fell at Gatwick, but should he have better luck here I expect him to take a lot of beating.

Top weight will be carried by Bel et Bon, and this fine young chaser will make a strong bid. He was beaten by Cakewalker at Newbury, but he has a pull of 6lb. with the latter here and he may turn the tables. Jackal beat a good field at Perth, and he is a safe jumper; but he may have just too much weight to carry. Peaceful Walter was considered rather unlucky when beaten by Luckpenny at Hurst Park. He is in with an attractive weight, and appeals most of those near the foot of the handicap. I have most fancy for

HOLBETON POINT.

There is sure to be a big field for the Oakside Handicap Hurdle. Khris Kingle has been allotted a big weight, but he is such a smart performer that he is bound to carry it prominently. A danger to the best will be Telamon, who was beaten only a length and a half by Master Sponge at Lingfield, and is expected to do better here. Winastep and The Pencil are others that appeal, but most of all I like

CESARION,

who won very smartly at Cheltenham, and he has been going so well at home since then that it will take a good one to beat him.

FLYING MINUTES

receives a confident vote for the Forest Handicap 'Chase. He won the corresponding race last year, and, even with more weight to carry, he should score again. I thought he was rather unlucky when brought down in the race won by Royal Mail at Birmingham, and previous to that he was just beaten in the last few strides by Inversible in the Grand Sefton 'Chase at Liverpool. His most dangerous rival may be Sweet Berry, who has been second in his last two races.

EASTER RUSH

disappointed when unplaced to Mask and Wig at Hurst Park, but he may make amends in the Mill Hurdle. He displayed better form when second to King Carnation at Kempton Park, and I expect him to go one better now. The chief dangers appear to be Prince Rouge, who was second to King Carnation at Gatwick, and Bel Aethel.

TARBOUCH II.

looks best for the Rays Selling 'Chase, and

BARRISTER

may return to winning form in the Wednesday Selling Hurdle.

WINDSOR PROGRAMME

1.0—MILL HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. 2 m.

COIRE-AN-DHUICH (Sir Ernest Wills) Nugent 5 12 0
SINCERITY (Maj. E. C. Mayl) Private 4 12 0
JANE AUSTEN (Maj. W. W. Astor) I. Anthony 5 12 0
JOHN PRESTON (Mr. A. E. Berry) Gosden 6 12 0
DORMITORY (Mr. A. B. Pope) W. Madden 6 12 0
GALITZER (Mr. C. Vyner) H. Whitbread 6 12 0
GALAPAS (Mr. Duller) Duller a 12 0
DUN OWL (Col. J. A. Fairhurst) Pease a 12 0
LINCOLN LASS (Mr. T. Goodall) Gilbert a 12 0
MADEMOISELLE DE PUYGARREAU (Mr. J. Hanbury) Earl 5 12 0
FARMER GILES (Mr. G. Henderson) Beeby 6 12 0
NAGESH (late Quorn II.) (Sir Yeshwant Rao Holkar) W. Nightingall 5 12 0
FAIR OUTLOOK (Mrs. T. Holloway) C. Leadlands 6 12 0
SUNSTREAK (Mr. C. W. Langlands) Owner a 12 0
ABOUKIR (Ld. Normanton) Private 6 12 0
SAMLA (Lt.-Col. H. Pemberton) Beeby 5 12 0
HOMO (Mr. V. Stacey) H. Harrison a 12 0
ARNGEE (Lt. Stavordale) P. Geary 5 12 0
PRINCE ROUGE (Mrs. Thomas) W. Stubbs 6 12 0
RYE GRASS (Maj. N. Furlong) F. Furlong a 12 0
KNIGHTSBROOK (Mr. Whitney) Anthony 6 12 0
MIDGUARD (Mr. Whitney) J. Anthony 5 12 0
EASTER RUSH (Mr. Wilkinson) T. R. Leader 6 12 0
EPICURE (Mr. Wilmot) W. Nightingall a 12 0
HOLLANDS (Mr. L. Boiden) J. Beary 4 11 0
STEELHEAD (Mr. R. B. Brandt) Thrale 4 11 0
KHORDAD (Mr. M. D. Browne) T. R. Leader 4 11 0
SKYTOR (Mr. F. Ambrose Clark) I. Anthony 4 11 0
INFANT (Mr. T. B. Donnelly) Gilbert 4 11 0
MEMBA (Mr. C. J. Forbes) J. Beary 4 11 0
STRAIGHT DEAL (Mr. N. Friese) H. Leach 4 11 0
CLAM (Mr. D. M. Gant) G. Langlands 4 11 0
HAM (Mr. Gilson) Freake 4 11 0
AUREA MAUD (Mr. Guthrie) J. Beary 4 11 0
BAY LAUREL (Mr. T. F. Harris) Edgeley 4 11 0
MOUNTAIN RANGER (Mr. V. Hobbs) Owner 4 11 0
PRUDENT SEN (Mrs. Hollins) Payne 4 11 0
TWINFORD (Mr. S. Herman) W. Madden 4 11 0
HORDEVILLE (Wing-Comdr. James) Norris 4 11 0
FAIR ROBIN (Mr. Lomnitzky) Winter 4 11 0
JOBURG (Mr. G. Lucas) D. Hastings 4 11 0
CHAUCER LAD (Mrs. E. Manners) Private 4 11 0
POOR DUKE (Ld. Milton) Warden 4 11 0
BEL AETHEL (D. of Norfolk) Private 4 11 0
HERODOTE BACHELOR (Mr. Rimell) Rimell 4 11 0
ESQUEMELING (Mr. de Rothschild) C. Pratt 4 11 0
LAGSKAR (Ld. Stalbridge) Stalbridge 4 11 0
TELEPHONE (Mr. Thorburn) Thorburn 4 11 0
JUDO (Lt.-Co. J. Ward) J. Beary 4 11 0
ATHMAR (Lady W. de Broke) Goode 4 11 0
FALSE BAY (Lt.-Col. Wingfield) R. Bennett 4 11 0
CALAMIS (Mrs. C. Wood) Dale 4 11 0
SHINE (Mr. F. C. Kiddle) Lefebve 5 10 7
ORDERLY (Mr. Mosenthal) H. Harrison 5 10 7
GUNGU (Maj. Hugh Peel) Poole 5 10 7

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.	Betting Forecast.
001	SINCERITY ..... R. Burford	20/1
0	JANE AUSTEN ..... D. Butchers	20/1
040	GALAPAS	20/1
000	DUN OWL	20/1
040	LINCOLN LASS	20/1
0	MADEMOISELLE DE PUYGARREAU ..... Mr. J. Hanbury	10/1
	NAGESH	20/1
030	FAIR OUTLOOK ..... F. Walwyn	20/1
	SUNSTREAK ..... W. King	20/1
343	SAMLA	8/1
	SAMARKAND ..... H. Nicholson	20/1
400	LOUGH SOLAK	20/1
120	HOMO ..... T. Isaac	100/6
233	APOGEE ..... S. Ingham	20/1
003	PRINCE ROUGE ..... M. Prendergast	9/2
	KNIGHTSBROOK	20/1
000	MIDGUARD ..... A. Scratchley	10/1
024	EASTER RUSH ..... A. Goodwill	6/1
0	COIRE-AN-DHUICH	20/1
00	HOLLANDS ..... Mr. J. Dennistoun	20/1
	STRAIGHT DEAL ..... G. Archibald	100/6
	INFANT	20/1
0	CLAM ..... M. Feakes	20/1
	HAM	20/1
000	AUREA MAUD	20/1
	MOUNTAIN RANGER	20/1
0	PRUDENT SEN ..... T. Farmer	20/1
000	FAIR ROBIN ..... Owner	20/1
000	JOBURG ..... P. Wall	20/1
300	POOR DUKE	20/1
	BEL AETHEL	20/1
240	HERODOTE BACHELOR ..... T. F. Rimell	100/8
00	LAGSKAR ..... G. Turner	20/1
0	TELEPHONE ..... J. Maxwell	20/1
00	JUDO ..... M. Doherty	100/6
00	ATHMAR ..... Mr. P. Herbert	20/1
00	CALAMIS ..... E. C. Taylor	20/1
00	SHINE ..... D. L. Jones	20/1

1.30—RAYS SELLING HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. 2 m.

TRUE COUNT (Mr. F. E. Peck) Hemsworth a 12 7
TWO ROYALS (Mr. S. Long) G. Langlands a 12 6
MICHLEAN (Mr. J. Duncanson) Gosden a 11 13
DRINWOOD (Mr. D. Leavey) Kerr a 11 13
GIFT SCHEME (7lb. ex.) (Mr. R. Sadler) Butchers 6 11 5
SHY MONK (Mr. A. Gilson) Freake 4 11 0
IRISH CHALLENGE (Mr. C. W. Gordon) King 6 11 0
TARBOUCH II. (Mr. H. W. Blyth) (7lb. ex.) Rayson a 11 0
WANDEROO (Capt. A. M. Bankier) Bankier a 10 12
KING RICHARD (Mr. W. Hutchinson) Rayson a 10 11
ANAKIM (Mr. C. R. Egerton) Gosden a 10 10
SIR ALWIN (Mr. N. E. Dixon) Bissill a 10 10
THE BLACKSMITH (Capt. R. C. G. Vivian) Vivian a 10 10
TUCK UP (Mr. G. Gregory) Hall a 10 7
SKILL (Mr. Gilbert Johnstone) D. Pennant 4 10 6
BEAU BROCADE (Mr. A. S. Kilpatrick) Kilpatrick a 10 0
DOUBLE GLOSTER (Mr. Crockett) Gubbins a 10 0

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.	Betting Forecast.
001	TWO ROYALS ..... M. Feakes	4/1
110	TRUE COUNT ..... Mr. R. Petre	11/4
003	MICHLEAN ..... D. Butchers	100/8
003	SHY MONK ..... F. Walwyn	10/1
001	TARBOUCH II. ..... J. Fraser	6/1
410	ANAKIM ..... Mr. C. Egerton	100/8
400	SIR ALWIN ..... J. Bissill	100/6
020	THE BLACKSMITH ..... A. Scratchley	10/1
230	TUCK UP	100/6
224	SKILL ..... H. Nicholson	8/1

2.0—NEW WINDSOR HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 150 sovs. 2 m.

		Age st. lb.
BEL ET BON (Mr. Whiteley)	W. Stubbs	6 12 7
JACKAL (Sir A. McAlpine)	Rimell	a 12 6
CAKEWALKER (Mrs. F. A. Clark)	R. Hobbs	5 12 0
SANCATOE (Mr. N. Dixon)	Bissill	a 11 9
BACHELOR'S HALL (Mr. R. Morel)	Private	5 11 6
KINSHIP (Mr. J. V. Bank)	Evans	a 11 6
LA TOUCHE (Mr. F. A. Clark)	I. Anthony	5 11 6
MAX (Col. J. Fairhurst)	Pease	a 11 6
DARK RAVINE (Mrs. Moon)	Forecast	a 11 6
HOLBETON POINT (Lord Milbank of Flete)	H. Whiteman	a 11 6
GRAPPLER (Mr. Sedgwick)	G. Wilson	a 11 5
VILIGENT (Mr. Smith)	Nightingall	a 11 5
DINTON LAD (Lady Currie)	Norris	5 11 3
BRYAN O'LINN (Mr. Doon)	W. Payne	6 11 2
SAN LUIS REY (Mr. A. Pilkington)	Goode	a 11 2
PEACEFUL WALTER (Mr. A. Berry)	Gosden	6 11 1
KILTOI (Mr. J. Metcalfe)	H. Harrison	a 11 0
JURA (Capt. W. North)	F. Furlong	a 11 0
BUCKUP BRYANT (Mr. A. Berry)	Gosden	6 10 10
ECCENTRICITY (Capt. A. Fairhurst)	Vivian	a 10 9
CHESTERTON (Mr. Holbech)	A. Hall	5 10 9
COURTESY (Mr. Herbert)	W. Nightingall	a 10 8
SQUIRE MORRIS (Sir E. Wills)	Nugent	a 10 6
JOLLY YEOMAN (Mr. Kiddie)	Lefebve	4 10 6
LINDY HALL (Mr. A. Berry)	Gosden	a 10 4

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.	Betting Forecast.
192	BEL ET BON ..... A. Scratchley	9/2
211	JACKAL ..... T. F. Rimell	10/1
201	CAKEWALKER ..... R. Hobbs	7/2
403	SANCATOE ..... J. Bissill	20/1
213	BACHELOR'S HALL ..... D. L. Jones	100/8
110	KINSHIP ..... J. Fawcus	20/1
000	LA TOUCHE ..... R. Burford	20/1
230	HOLBETON POINT ..... Mr. A. Mildmay	13/2
004	GRAPPLER ..... F. Walwyn	100/8
301	SAN LUIS REY ..... W. Parvin	100/6
202	PEACEFUL WALTER ..... D. Butchers	10/1
000	BUCKUP BRYANT	20/1
003	KILTOI ..... T. Isaac	100/8
113	JURA ..... Capt. North	100/6
300	CHESTERTON	20/1
400	SQUIRE MORRIS ..... F. Maxwell	20/1
000	JOLLY YEOMAN	20/1

2.30—WEDNESDAY SELLING HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. 2 m.

		Age st. lb.
SINDHI (Mr. W. T. Aberle)	Ancil	5 12 0
MAN OF PROPERTY (Mrs. J. Beary)	J. Beary	a 12 0
WORTHY DOWN (Lady Cambridge)	Gosden	6 12 0
LE SARRAZIN (Mr. Cazalet)	H. Whiteman	a 12 0
BARRISTER (Miss Clover)	Barthropp	5 12 0
STAR OF AEON (Mr. Cornelius)	W. Smyth	5 12 0
TRAMAWAY (Mr. A. Gilson)	Freake	a 12 0
WATTRAU (Mrs. H. B. Goode)	Goode	a 12 0
INDESTRUCTIBLE (Col. Hulse)	W. Nightingall	6 12 0
HEARTBREAK (Mr. F. Kiddie)	Lefebve	6 12 0
SPARM (Mr. G. Langlands)	Owner	5 12 0
THERAS (Mr. C. A. Lister)	Hedges	a 12 0
BUENA ESPERANZA (Mrs. Jones)	Roberts	4 10 6
TRAMAWAY (Mr. A. Gilson)	Freake	a 10 6
TIMELY WARNED (Major-Gen. W. S. Anthony)	O. Anthony	a 10 6
MATCHES MARY (Mr. Ambrose Clark)	I. Anthony	4 10 5
BURLINGTON BILL (Mr. A. Masters)	I. Anthony	5 10 3
BLAZE (Sir Ernest Wills)	Nugent	a 10 2
BLARNEY STONE (Mr. Baron Vick)	Vick	5 10 0
THE BLACK WITCH (Mrs. Pilkington)	Powell	4 10 0

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.	Betting Forecast.
013	KHRIS KINGLE ..... G. Pollerin	8/1
200	PRAWN CURRY ..... D. Butchers	20/1
012	BOOZER'S GLOOM ..... M. Feakes	100/6
020	NOCIB ..... A. Scratchley	20/1
040	ZION	20/1
024	STEELTIP ..... J. Cox	10/1
300	OUTRIDER ..... W. Parvin	20/1
000	MONOCEROS	20/1
041	CESARION ..... G. Archibald	100/30
204	ORONSEP	3/1
000	NO PARKING ..... S. Ingham	20/1
101	THE PENCIL ..... T. Elder	10/1
000	REMEMBER II.	20/1
010	SENORITA	20/1
002	TELAMON ..... A. Goodwill	6/1
000	BOBBY II.	20/1
300	POOR DUKE ..... F. Walwyn	20/1
024	WINASTEP ..... J. Bissill	10/1
000	TIMELY WARNED	20/1
404	DRINTRY	100/6
001	TRAMAWAY	20/1
000	BURLINGTON BILL ..... H. Barford	100/6
000	BLARNEY STONE ..... E. Carter	20/1
000	THE BLACK WITCH	20/1

H. Nicholson rides either Orontes or Remember II.

3.30—FOREST HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. 3 m.

		Age st. lb.
DOMINICK'S CROSS (7lb. ex.) (Mr. A. Donn)	W. Payne	6 13 0
ROLLING HOME (Mr. J. Ramsden)	Walls	6 12 7
MERLICK (Mr. J. M. Dennis)	Gore	a 12 7
FLYING MINUTES (Mrs. F. Ambrose Clark)	R. Hobbs	a 12 1
SWEET BERRY (Ld. Normanton)	Private	a 11 9
JURA (Capt. W. P. North)	F. Furlong	a 11 6
SILENT JACK (Col. Brian W. Robinson)	Powell	5 11 5
LE TOREADOR (Mr. H. B. Brandt)	James	a 11 5
CLUNY II. (Mr. A. Law)	T. R. Leader	a 11 4
ROCK OF BAWN (Ld. Penrhyn)	Norris	5 11 4
BLUE NOSE (Mr. L. Z. Davis)	P. Thrale	a 11 2
MASTER RUPERT (Mrs. Charles Wood)	J. Hall	a 11 1
DIABUTSU (Capt. N. A. Little)	J. Hall	6 11 0
LUCKY PATCH (Mr. N. E. Dixon)	Bissill	a 10 13
COTTAGE OWL (Col. J. A. Fairhurst)	Pease	a 10 12
K.D.H. (Mrs. Metcalf)	F. Brown	6 10 10
TOUTVA II. (Mr. G. W. Brocklehurst)	N. Whiteman	5 10 10
NAPOLEMAINE (Mr. A. Gilson)	Freake	5 10 10
LOP GILT (Mr. James V. Rank)	Evans	a 10 9
WINTER LAND (Ld. Davidson)	Kerr	a 10 8
HATTON LASS (Mr. F. J. Honour)	R. Bennett	a 10 7
IDTOI (Mr. A. E. Berry)	Gosden	5 10 5
STAUNCH PAL (Mrs. F. Ambrose Clark)	I. Anthony	a 10 5
SIR JINKS (Col. Brian W. Robinson)	Powell	5 10 4
PIRITA (Ld. Stalbridge)	Stalbridge	5 10 4
VI VICTRESS (Mr. E. H. Crailsham)	J. Beary	a 10 4
KING RICHARD (Mr. W. Hutchinson)	Rayson	a 10 2

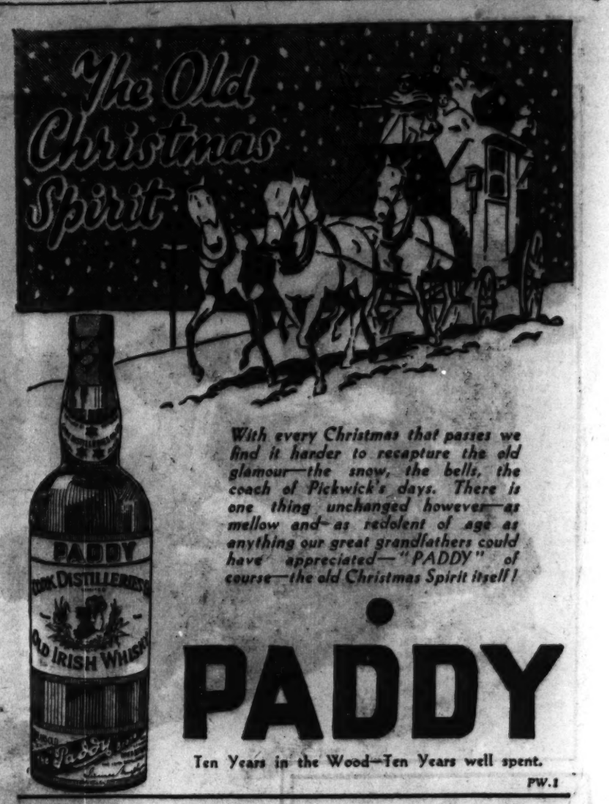
Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.	Betting Forecast.
	ROLLING HOME	100/8
1	MERLICK	100/6
020	FLYING MINUTES ..... B. Hobbs	7/2
423	SWEET BERRY	6/1
323	SILENT JACK ..... E. C. Brown	5/1
000	LE TOREADOR	100/6
003	BLUE NOSE ..... T. Elder	8/1
X30	DIABUTSU ..... Capt. Little	9/1
432	COTTAGE OWL	10/1
200	K.D.H. ..... Mr. J. H. Gordon	10/1
220	TOUTVA II. ..... Mr. A. Mildmay	100/8
100	WINTER LAND ..... F. Maxwell	100/8
000	IDTOI	100/6
000	SIR JINKS ..... J. Dowdeswell	100/6
	PIRITA ..... G. Turner	100/6
000	VI VICTRESS ..... Mr. J. Dennistoun	100/6

TO-DAY'S SELECTIONS

Mill Hurdle—Easter Rush.
Rays Steeplechase—Tarbouch II.
New Windsor Steeplechase—Holbeton Point.*
Wednesday Hurdle—Barrister.
Oakside Hurdle—Cesarion.
Forest Steeplechase—Flying Minutes.

TO-DAY'S DOUBLE.

Holbeton Point and Flying Minutes.



With every Christmas that passes we find it harder to recapture the old glamour—the snow, the bells, the coach of Pickwick's days. There is one thing unchanged however—as mellow and as redolent of age as anything our great grandfathers could have appreciated—"PADDY" of course—the old Christmas Spirit itself!

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GAELIC GAMES

THE NEW DEVELOPMENT

Games Making Rapid Progress in Colleges and Schools

(By PAT'O.)

THAT new development in native Dublin, hurling, to which I alluded last week, fructified in the Boland Cup final last Sunday, when fifteen Dublin-born hurlers triumphed over a powerful Garda side drawn from Cork, Tipperary, Galway, Clare, Limerick, Waterford and Kilkenny.

Hurling is a game that demands very youthful training in technique. All-Ireland championships are won on the rural playing fields, where schoolboys practice. It was with this knowledge that the Eoghan Rhua club was started among the schoolboys of Aughrim and Bolton streets. They had watched the skilled hurlers from the provinces practice in the Phœnix Park. They copied their style and swing with ready aptitude. Lacking somewhat in physique, it was by style and combination that these schoolboys developed the art. Soon they were winning primary competitions, then minors, and next junior and intermediate trophies came their way.

Entering the senior league, it was thought the Eoghan Rhuas would be overwhelmed by the powerful men from traditional hurling counties. They continued to persevere, and shone all through last year's senior league. Gaining match experience and confidence, their best game was against Young Irelands in this year's senior championship. Played late in the evening at Croke Park, it was easily the best of the Dublin season. Defeat of strong Army and Garda sides within a fortnight is their latest achievement. So promising are their junior and under-age sides that there is no shortage of substitutes, and a bright future is promised for this persevering club.

Other Dublin clubs are following the Eoghan Rhua lead—Crokes, St. Vincents, Fontenoys, Kevins, etc., are all recruited from primary and Christian Brothers' schools. St. Kevins are drawn largely from Synge street and have had much success in hurling and Gaelic football.

CHARITY CUP REPLAY

The replay final in the St. Vincent de Paul (Charity Cup) tournament is fixed for Croke Park next Sunday at 12.30, with Mr. R. Freeman, of Westerns, as referee. Both O'Toole's and Wolfe Tones have been in strict training since the drawn game, and I anticipate a close finish.

Wolfe Tones, coming straight from the junior ranks, created a big surprise by winning the Senior League last season at the first time of asking. The performances of the Firhouse team since then have proved that their League success was won on football merit. At full strength they play delightful football. Their fleet line, passing and shooting are impressive. They will miss the young inter-county man, Ronny Smith, next Sunday, but will set O'Tooles a lively pace.

O'Tooles are definitely on the up-grade following several lean years. Had they more weight in attack, I think they could go far in 1938. Murphy and Barry are clever attackers, but they have no chance against tall backs when the ball is overhead. For this reason O'Tooles must keep the ball on the ground if they are to win this Cup for the first time. I thought their backs very good. O'Neill, Brennan, Greene, Hannon, Cullen and Darcy approach old O'Toole standards. Scott is an improved midfielder, whose reach helps him. I like John Byrne's roving football, and Heron, Maher and McMahon (jun.), are all playing well.

Wolfe Tones are speedy, resolute attackers, and, like all clubs in the south-west county, they use Kildare's hand passing to good purpose. Last time out, De Lappe, Joyce, D. Smith and Collins showed sound judgment, and Nugent and Monks used every opening. There will likely be no more than a score or two between the teams at the finish.

THE GAME IN BRITAIN

The All-Ireland College Convention in Dublin over the week-end struck an optimistic note. Father O'Mearoin, of Monaghan, the new President, has been the driving force behind Ulster College football for many seasons, and his teams have met with much success. All the provinces reported increasing interest and affiliations, though hurling continues to be backward in the Northern and Western schools. Brother O'Doherty, of Colaiste Caoimghin, Glasnevin, who has been representing the Colleges on the Central G.A.A. Council, has done yeoman work in his own school and area. Brother Hogan, of Westland row, is another tireless worker in the ranks of secondary schools. So high-grade are these College matches that it seems a pity more people do not see them. I would suggest that one of their finals be played in connection with some of our big inter-county or interprovincial matches at Croke Park. Mr. P. J. O'Keeffe, who was unanimously re-elected as honorary secretary to the colleges, may be able to arrange this next season. I have seen better football played in these college games than our seniors can produce.

The emigration of thousands of Irishmen has brought renewed activity to Gaelic games in Britain, where the annual convention was held last week. London now boasts a dozen clubs, and much progress has been made in Lancashire, Birmingham and Manchester. Inter-division games on the league system are being arranged for next season, but practice grounds at convenient distance are difficult to obtain and expensive to rent in centres of big population. This problem is being solved, and 1938 will be a record year in Gaelic athletic circles in Britain. Visits of expert hurling and football sides have helped to keep players interested, and they may be more frequent in future.

SMALL-BORE RIFLE SHOOTING

The City of Dublin Small-bore Rifle Club continues to make progress. This season three teams were entered in the S.M.R.C. competition for the Burroughs and Watts Cup, an event for teams of four, open to clubs in Britain. The "B" and "C" teams went out in the first round, and the "A" team was defeated in the second round by an Ayrshire team—Irvine. At present there are not enough clubs in the Irish Free State to form a league but if there were two or three other clubs a league would be possible. Should other cities and towns besides Dublin and Wexford start clubs, the sport would make a definite advance.

The City of Dublin engaged the recently-formed City of Glasgow Club in a postal match, which they won, the scores being:—City of Dublin 590, City of Glasgow 581.

Other postal matches resulted:—Wexford 589, West of Scotland 579; Bannockburn 591, Wexford 576.

HOCKEY

MATCH POSTPONED

The match between Three Rock Rovers and Dalkey, arranged for to-day, has been declared off.

PEMBROKE WANDERERS

The following are the club fixtures for Saturday next:—3rd XI. v. Y.M.C.A. 3rd (Intermediate League), Claremont road, 2.45; 4th XI. v. St. James's Gate 3rd (Junior League), Serpentine avenue, 2.45.

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NOTTINGHAM RESULTS

1.0—**CASTLE (S.) STEEPLECHASE** of £142. 2m.

Mr. T. Wyatt's b. g. HIGH LIFE, by Highborn II.—Jocanta, 6, 11-6 ..... E. C. Carr 1
Mr. A. Gilson's NAPOLITAINE, 5, 11-8 ..... F. Walwyn 2
Mr. R. A. Holbech's BANNED, a, 11-6 ..... G. Spann 3

Also ran:—Gold King (Mr. T. Bayley), No Other (Mr. M. Johnson), Fianna II. (Mr. J. Secly), Monologue (Mr B. Tighe), East Park (H. Cook), Angelic (Mr A. Flowery). (Winner trained by Lyall.)

Betting—7 to 4 agst. HIGH LIFE, 11 to 4 Napoli taine, 6 to 1 Fianna II., 7 to 1 Monologue, 8 to 1 Banned, 100 to 8 No Other, 20 to 1 any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win, 4/9; places, 2/6, 2/9, 3/6.

Won by ten lengths; two lengths. East Park was fourth, Angelic last. Winner bought in for 250 gns.

1.30—**TRENT (S.) HANDICAP HURDLE** of £142. 2 m.

Mr. J. R. Leigh's br. g. VITALITY, by Bachelor's Double—True Life, a, 12-3 ..... T. R.mell 1
Mr. W. Cary's TOSH, a, 11-1 (car. 11-4) ..... Mr. J. Cary 2
Mr. B. Hadfield's STEPAFORD, 5, 10-9 ..... D. Doyle 3

Also ran:—Uncanny II. (E. Young), Man in the Moon (J. Hollowed), Baltic (M. Feakes), Prince Salm (G. Bissill), Royal Spa (T. F. Carey), Pharnace (W. Parvin), Emerald Star (C. Clark), Lady Faithful (A. Waudby), Felswood (J. Stanbridge), Third Degree (E. C. Brown), Glazert (D. L. Jones), Inventor (J. H. Brown) Harlsmere (J. Ward), Jasper Guy (F. Gurney), (Winner trained by E. Johnson.)

Betting—11 to 4 agst. Lady Faithful, 5 to 1 Baltic, 6 to 1 VITALITY, 7 to 1 each Royal Spa and Emerald Star 8 to 1 Stepaford, 100 to 6 each Man in the Moon and Uncanny II., 100 to 6 Third Degree, 20 to 1 any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win, 15/6; places, 5/3, 3/3, 5/3.

Won by four lengths; a length and a half. Uncanny II. was fourth, Emerald Star last. Winner was sold to Mr. H. Hamshaw for 210 gns.

2.0—**MIDLAND HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE** of £205. 3 m.

Mr. A. Donn's ch. g. DOMINICK'S CROSS, by La Brige or Catalin—Sta. of Kildare, 6, 11-7 ..... R. Everett 1
Mr. F. Gradwell's NOBLE TIPP, a, 10-9 ..... Mr R. Black 2
Mr. H. Lloyd Thomas's KILCASH CROSS, a, 11-7 ..... Mr A. Marsh 3

Also ran:—Yellow Furze (H. Nicholson), Taos (E. C. Brown), Scotch Wood (P. Lay), Herodotus (G. Owen), Lucky Patch (J. Bissill), Sugar Loaf (S. J. Carr), Primrose Day (T. Isaac), Mil-reth (W. Wright). (Winner trained by W. Payne.)

Betting—2 to 1 agst. Kilcash Cross, 3 to 1 DOMINICK'S CROSS, 6 to 1 Yellow Furze, 100 to 6 Sugar Loaf, 100 to 7 Taos, 100 to 6 any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win: 13/6. Places: 3/3, 5/3, 2/6.

Won by a neck; two lengths. Herodotus was fourth and Lucky Patch last.

2.30—**MAPPERLEY HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE** of £122. 2 m.

Lady Lindsay's b. g. MOLLISON, by Seventy-five —Rathegan, a, 11-9 ..... Mr. A. Marsh 1
Mr. N. E. Dixon's PAPAGENO, 4, 10-13 T. Elder 2
Mr. A. Smith-Bingham's LOYAL PRINCE, a, 11-13 ..... T. F. Carey 3

Also ran—Novgorod (J. Bissill), Rock Lad (W. Furlong), Sabotage (J. Moloney), Carnalea (W. Parvin), Dark Ravine (G. Owen), Mount Hermon (P. Fitzgerald), Rough Rider (J. Fawcus), Howrunow (D. Doyle), Deel Bridge (Mr. R. Black). (Winner trained privately.)

Betting—2 to 1 agst. Loyal Prince, 7 to 2 Papageno, 5 to 1 Novgorod, 6 to 1 Rough Rider, 10 to 1 each Sabotage, Carnalea, Mount Hermon and MOLLISON, 20 to 1 any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win: 57/9. Places: 12/9, 3/9, 3/-.

Won by five leng

A WELL-DESERVED WIN

Trinity Forwards Outplay Cambridge in Loose

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY 8
CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY 5

UNDER Arctic conditions, with snow falling for a good part of the time, Dublin University beat Cambridge University by a penalty goal and a try (6 points) to a goal (5 points) in College Park yesterday. In the circumstances the result was not unexpected, for, as has happened so frequently in the past, the Trinity forwards had much the better of matters in the loose, and kick-and-rush tactics dominated the play, since back movements were almost impossible with a greasy ball and numb fingers.

Had the game been played on a dry ground the result would probably have been reversed, for Cambridge got the ball back more frequently from the tight scrums, and in Bruce-Lockhart they had far and away the most dangerous attacking back on the field. Despite the keenness of the Trinity defence, he went right through on several occasions and made scoring openings, especially in the first half, only to see his passes dropped by the centres. Mallett was a bad offender in this respect, and in consequence of these blunders the ball seldom reached the wings with any chance of the latter having room in which to move.

INSPIRING LEADER

However, on the run of the play there was no question of which side deserved to win. Cambridge had several spells of attack in the first half, but in the second period, apart from the time they scored, they were hardly ever inside the Trinity twenty-five, and were generally defending desperately. Given an inspiring lead by Clements, who brought off some remarkable bursts in the open, the Trinity eight put any amount of fire and dash into their work, and every one of them must take a large share of the credit for a fine victory. Behind them McCall gave his usual sound display, doing great work in going down to the feet of the opposing forwards and getting the ball away quickly at every opportunity. Hogan held his passes well, and kicked cleverly, but he could never find a way through himself, and he found Bruce Lockhart very difficult to hold.

SOUND FULL-BACK

The three-quarters were closely marked, and distinguished themselves mainly by defence, in which Boyle, by his anticipation in being in the right place to check a break-through, played a leading part. To Guy, however, must be awarded most of the honours behind the scrum. Showing a splendid sense of position, he only misfielded once throughout, showed great coolness in picking up the rolling ball, and got touch safely time after time. He has never given his team better service, and it was distinctly unjust that his one slip should have led up to the Cambridge score.

Cambridge were also well served at full-back by Ritchie, who fielded safely and kicked well, but the three-quarters were disappointing. Forrest being well held by Martin, and Mallett being unable to hold any sort of pass. The wings obviously had pace, but they were invariably well covered when they got the ball.

GOOD WORK WASTED

I am sure that the Irish selectors would give a lot to have a man like Bruce Lockhart at their disposal. A fast and strong runner, he cut through straight without ever bunching his three-quarter line, and it was a disappointing experience for him to see all his efforts go to waste. He got an excellent service from Low, who also played a fine game all through, and, under better conditions, these half-backs might have presented Trinity with too much of a problem.

Holding a considerable advantage in weight, the Cambridge pack made the most of it in the tight, but never showed that fire of their opponents in the loose, and they had no one to lead their rushes with the skill that Clements showed.

The first half was scoreless, but Cambridge threatened more danger with their attacks, Boyle once getting back to save just in time when Forrest had booted the ball along the ground past Guy, while Moore, on the one occasion on which he did get an opening, dropped a pass with the way to the line clear.

After a quarter of an hour in the second half Pike gave Trinity the lead with a penalty goal from a difficult angle, and after Clements had produced a remarkable dribble more than half the length of the field, from which he just failed to score, Parke kicked ahead from a scrum at midfield. Forrest lost possession when falling on the ball, and Martin booted it over the line to score, the kick being disallowed. Guy fumbled the kick-off at his own 25, and from subsequent Cambridge attacks Low darted over, Forrest converting. The latter had to leave the field with a leg injury shortly before the end, and Trinity had little difficulty in holding on to their slender lead. Teams:—

Cambridge University—B. W. T. Ritchie (Timeroo and St. John's); J. S. Moore (Lyca and Jesus), A. E. de la T. Mallett (Stowe and Clare), *J. G. R. Forrest (Strathallan and St. Catherine's), *E. D. E. Reed (Harrow and Fitzwilliam House); *R. S. Bruce-Lockhart (Edinburgh Academy and Corpus Christi), *J. D. Low (Captain) (Dover and Jesus); *F. M. N. Heath (Clifton and Caius), F. R. Spencer (Stowe and St. Catherine's), J. Steeds (St. Catherine's), *P. A. E. Lindsay (Herrow and Clare), *L. Newton-Thompson (Diocesan College, S. Africa, and St. John's), *E. L. A. Folker (Eastbourne and Queen's), *F. J. C. Bateman Champain (Cheltenham and Caius), F. A. Way (Clifton and Caius).

*Blues

Dublin University—T. E. Guy (Portadown College); C. V. Boyle (captain) (High School), J. G. Martin (Campbell College), F. W. Parke (Mountjoy), A. McC. Cochrane (Foyle College), N. J. Hogan (St. Gerard's), S. W. McCall (Mountjoy); T. Clements (Portora), J. O'Neil Donnellan (Appleforth), M. F. Graham (Portora) W. Jones (Mountjoy), G. E. Nevill (Cranbrook College), W. A. Pike (Dragheda G.S.), T. F. Roche (Ampleforth), J. N. Wilkinson (Hallerbury).

CHANGES ON LEINSTER XV.

Two changes have been notified on the Leinster team to play Connaught at Lansdowne road to-morrow. C. V. Boyle and Des. O'Connor have declared off, and their places will be filled by T. Cribben (Blackrock College) and A. Carry (Old Wesley).

ULSTER JUNIOR CUP

The draw for the third round of the Ulster Junior Cup was made last night as follows:—N.I.F.C. 2nd v. Coleraine; Instonians 2nd v. Ballymena; Dromore v. Collegians 2nd; Malone 2nd v. Donaghadee; Armagh v. Queen's 2nd. Matches to be played on January 15th.

MONKSTOWN SCHOOLBOYS

Schoolboys wishing to play for this team during the Christmas vacation should forward their names, addresses, and positions in the field to the Hon. Secretary, J. R. Ramsey, 12 College Green, Dublin ('phone 22363) immediately. Fixtures are required for this team also, and hon. secretaries of other clubs should communicate with the above address.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURE

Wesley College Old Boys' Union v. Wesley College, Bloomfield, Donnybrook, 2.45.

Wesley College O.B.U.—W. B. Sterling; W. N. Bennett, C. T. Attwood, F. W. Olhausen, T. H. Boyd; R. H. May, J. E. Willoughby; C. W. Good, L. C. Jacobson, W. D. Merrey, S. H. Polden (capt.), C. E. Polden, A. C. Prigge, W. F. Rogers, L. Woodrow.

BOXING

THOMAS NO MATCH FOR SCHMELING

GERMAN IN GREAT FORM AFTER POOR START

NEW YORK, Tuesday.

Max Schmeling, German ex-heavy-weight champion of the world, took his first step towards regaining the world's title when he beat Harry Thomas, of Chicago, in eight rounds at Madison Square Gardens, last night. In the early rounds the German showed signs of his eighteen months' absence from the ring, and was being outpointed. Thomas scored freely to the head and stomach at the start. The Chicago boxer had a dogged aggressiveness and used a wicked left hook to pile up the points in the first four rounds, while his opponent countered slowly and developed almost no attack.

SCHMELING STARTS

The German's seconds had a talk with their man during the interval between the fifth and sixth rounds, and Schmeling began to go into his foe in the sixth. Half-way through that round he connected with two heavy jolts to Thomas's jaw, which had the American rocking as the round ended.

Thomas came out for the seventh round with his confidence badly shaken, and Schmeling drove him into the ropes with heavy right-hand punches that had the crowd on its feet shouting. The bell saved the Chicago fighter again. But Thomas was game. He had never been knocked out, and he tore out of his corner recklessly at the start of the eight, losing a terrific left swings, which Schmeling easily avoided.

Max, as his opponent grew more excitable, became more cool, and he slipped neatly under Thomas's weak guard to land two rights. There appeared to be little force behind the blows, but the American was so spent that each of them floored him. He got up immediately without waiting for a count only to be knocked down by a right to the chin.

Afterwards as fast as Thomas picked himself up he was promptly knocked down. First by a fast left hook, which took him off his feet for a count of two, and then by a smashing right-hander for three.

This last blow was the end of Thomas. He struggled to his feet with all the gameness he had shown throughout the fight, but it was obvious that he was all but out. Schmeling stepped forward smoothly and caught Thomas with a vicious right uppercut to the chin which downed the American again.

Thomas still refused to admit defeat. He was dazed, his timing was gone, and his footwork was rocky, but he still could climb to his feet to go on fighting. The referee, however, intervened and awarded the fight to Schmeling.

TUNNEY'S OPINION

"Max Schmeling will regain the much disputed heavy-weight championship of the world by knocking out Joe Louis in their fight next June, says Gene Tunney. "Schmeling could knock Louis out to-morrow," he added, after watching the German's form in a training camp. "Louis is out of shape, and Max has the greatest right I ever saw on a heavy-weight."

FARR AND BRADDOCK

BOUT DEFINITELY FIXED FOR JANUARY 21

NEW YORK, Tuesday.

With James J. Braddock and his manager, Joe Gould, back to favour with the New York State Athletic Commission, the way is clear for a fight between Braddock and Tommy Farr at Madison Garden on January 21. The £200 fines imposed on Braddock and Gould for not meeting Max Schmeling last June have been paid, and the Commission has lifted the suspension placed on both men.

Mike Jacobs can now go ahead with his eliminating contests to find an opponent to meet Joe Louis for the world title. He definitely announced yesterday that Farr would meet Braddock on January 21, and he had received a cable from Farr accepting the terms offered. He added that Farr would leave England shortly.

SCHMELING AND NEUSEL TO MEET

BERLIN, Tuesday.

A match between Walter Neusel and Max Schmeling has been arranged to take place on March 13th next, it is announced. The fight will take place in the Deutschland Halle, Berlin.

NEW OFFER TO HARVEY AND MCAVOY

If Jock McAvoy and Len Harvey like to split fifty per cent. of the "gate" they can fight for McAvoy's British cruiser-weight boxing championship at Harringay early in the New Year. Mr. Sydney Hulls, Harringay promoter, made the offer yesterday, and said: "I have been told that a fight between McAvoy and Harvey will draw between £8,000 to £10,000, and it is up to them to prove it. We will run the fight for them, and they can take fifty per cent. of the gate, splitting it any way they like.

"There is no time to arrange such a fight before Christmas, but it can be staged at Harringay as early as they like next year—in January or February."

CURRAGH TOURNAMENT

The finals of the Artillery Corps novices' tournament at the Curragh last night resulted as under:—

Bantam-weight—Private Rogers beat Driver McInerney.

Feather-weight—Driver Heffernan k.o. Private Leech in the second round.

Light-weight—Gunner Fallon beat Gunner McDonald.

Welter-weight—Driver Fitzgerald k.o. Private Walsh in the first round.

Middle-weight—Private Fallon (Dépôt) beat Gunner Ryan.

Cruiser-weight—Gunner Catlos k.o. Gunner Darcy in the first round.

Special Contests.—Cruiser-weight—Gunner Flynn beat Gunner Coyle. Feather-weight—Private Dowdall beat Volunteer Sherry, fight stopped in second round; Private Keogh (3rd Battalion) beat Corporal Mooney. Light-weight—Private Hayes k.o. Private Lee (3rd Battalion) in third round.

GOLF

ROBERT SWEENY WISHES TO BE BRITISH SUBJECT

Robert Sweeny, American holder of the amateur championship, is applying for naturalisation as a British subject. If this change of nationality is effected, he would become available for Britain's team in the Walker Cup match against America, to be played at St. Andrew's next June.

Sweeny has been resident in London for many years, and plays most of his golf on English courses. He is a member of Addington and Princes, Sandwich, and does not now belong to any American club.

Recently the question of Sweeny being eligible to play for the United States in the Walker Cup match was discussed. He is a member of a London financial firm, controlled by Mr. Philip E. Hill, who stated last night: "It is true that Mr. Sweeny is applying for naturalisation as a British subject, and I am one of his sponsirs."

The champion would be a valuable aquisition to Great Britain's Walker Cup team. He played magnificent golf at Sandwich last May in the amateur championship, and was particularly powerful and accurate in the final against Lionel Munn, the Irish internationalist and former Irish champion.

FORMER AUSTRALIAN CHAMPION DEAD

D. G. Soutar, one of the best-known professionals in Australia, who emigrated from Carnoustie thirty-five years ago, has died at Sydney of peritonitis following an operation.

Soutar, a cabinetmaker, later made golf clubs at the Royal Sydney Club. In 1903 he won the Australian amateur championship and also the New South Wales title. He repeated the feat in the following year. He turned professional in 1905, and won the Australian open championship. In 1907 he finished second to the Hon. Michael Scott, the British golfer, in the open at Melbourne. In 1912 he tied for second place with Fred Popplewell when Ivo Whitton won the event, and in 1920 finished second to Joe Kirkwood, who won with record-breaking figures.

SEVEN TIMES CHAMPION

The open championship of Egypt has been won by R. L. Moffitt, the Alexandria Sporting Club professional, for the seventh time. Moffitt, who had rounds of 77, 77, 76, 72, won by four strokes from F. T. Haddock, a young amateur, who had scores of 78, 74, 79 and 75. Moffitt, who was born at Ryton-on-Tyne in 1904, was formerly an assistant at the Tyneside club.

CLUB NOTICES AND REPORTS

DUN LAOGHAIRE.

Saturday—Last turkey competition. A special competition will be held for previous winners. Starting by time-sheet, open from 10 o'c. on Friday.

Ladies'—Medal finals and sweepstakes—Class I.: Mrs. Lockhart (16), 72; Mrs. Fry (18), 77. Class II.: Mrs. Collins (24), 74; Mrs. Gray (21), 79.

GLENTARF.

To-day.—Crawford Cup (12 holes). Saturday—Turkey competition, 9 holes; three classes (1 to 12, 13 to 18, 19 and over).

FOXROCK.

The annual general meeting will be held in the clubhouse on next Friday at 6 o'c.

KILLINEY.

Ladies'—Turkey competition—Class I.: Miss Twigg (4), 37 and 33. Class II.: Mrs. Brady (15½), 36½ and 36½; Mrs. McCarthy (19), 35 and 34. Medal finals postponed to January 7th.

KILLINEY.

Saturday—Hamper competition, Scotch foursomes, strokes.

RATHFARNHAM.

Ladies' Branch. 17th December—Foursomes; 21st December—Medal.

CRICKET

TENNYSON'S TEAM WINS

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Scoring the required 81 runs to-day without further loss, Lord Tennyson's XI. beat All-India in the second unofficial Test match by six wickets. They won the first by nine wickets. Scores:—

All-India—153 and 208.
Lord Tennyson's XI.—191 and 171 (for 4).

YACHTING

AMERICA ACCEPTS CHALLENGE

INTERNATIONAL MATCH FOR NEW CLASS

BOSTON, Tuesday.

The challenge by the Island Sailing Club, of Cowes, having been accepted by the Beverly Yacht Club, of Marion, Massachussets, a team match between Great Britain and the United States for 30 square metre yachts will be held in August. Buzzard's Bay, on the Massachussets coast, where the Endeavours were under sail last summer, will probably be the location of the racing, which may take place during the last week in August. This will give British yachtsmen an opportunity to do some racing in this class of yacht during Cowes week.

The "thirty" class boat made its first appearance in the British Isles only last summer, but Mr. Uffa Fox, the well-known British yachtsman, plans to have six of them racing in British waters next summer.

It is understood that a Swedish team, which will be competing at Cowes next year, may also visit America to give the "thirty" races a more international aspect.

BADMINTON

CLOSE CHAMPIONSHIP OF LIMERICK

The following are the results of the Limerick Close Championships:—

MEN'S SINGLES.
(Holder—F. W. Bradley.)

1st Round—F. W. Bradley beat G. Kelly, 15-12, 15-5; T. Auchmuty beat R. Despard (jun.), 15-6, 15-9; E. A. Newenham beat S. de Lacy, 15-3, 15-8.

Semi-finals—Bradley beat W. H. Coghlan, 15-7, 15-9; Newenham beat Auchmuty, 15-2, 15-2.

Final—Bradley beat Newenham, 15-12, 15-2.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES.
(Holders—Mrs. Coghlan and Mrs. F. Ruttledge.)

1st Round—Miss E. Gibb and Miss Stokes beat Miss O'Callaghan and Miss Capsey, 9-15, 15-0, 15-8; Mrs. Coghlan and Miss F. Smyth beat Misses I. and E. Scott, 15-4, 15-8; Miss J. Fitzell and Mrs. Cullen beat Miss O'Dwyer and Miss Begley, 15-11, 15-5.

Semi-finals—Miss Gibb and Miss Stokes w.o., v. Miss K. O'Sullivan and Miss Ryan scr.; Mrs. Coghlan and Miss F. Smyth beat Miss J. Fitzell and Mrs. Cullen, 15-7, 11-15, 15-11.

Final—Miss Gibb and Miss Stokes beat Mrs. Coghlan and Miss Smyth, 18-16, 1-15, 15-12.

MEN'S DOUBLES.
(Holders—F. W. Bradley and E. A. Newenham.)

1st Round—W. H. Coghlan and J. Gilpin beat J. C. Hassett and R. Despard.

Semi-finals—M. Cussen and J. E. Trayer beat G. Kelly and S. de Lacy, 15-10, 18-17; Coghlan and Gilpin beat F. W. Bradley and E. A. Newenham, 15-9, 15-10.

Final—Coghlan and Gilpin beat Cussen and Trayer, 15-7, 18-17.

MIXED DOUBLES.
(Holders—J. D. Reid and Miss Capsey.)

1st Round—D. F. F. Craig and Miss Capsey beat Miss O'Dwyer and E. O'Toole, 15-12, 15-9; F. W. Bradley and Mrs. Armstrong w.o., G. H. and Miss McCutcheon scr.; J. Gilpin and Miss J. Fitzell beat S. de Lacy and Miss Stokes, 15-7, 15-4.

2nd Round—G. Kelly and Miss Gibb beat R. Mulligan and Miss F. Smyth, 15-9, 15-6; W. H. and Mrs. Coghlan beat D. F. F. Craig and Miss Capsey, 15-10, 15-5; F. W. Bradley and Mrs. Armstrong beat J. Gilpin and Miss J. Fitzell, 15-9, 15-8; E. A. and Mrs. Newenham beat R. G. Forde and Miss O'Callaghan, 15-1, 15-4.

Semi-finals—W. H. and Mrs. Coghlan beat G. Kelly and Miss Gibb, 15-9, 15-3; F. W. Bradley and Mrs. Armstrong beat E. A. and Mrs. Newenham, 15-8, 15-9.

Final—W. H. and Mrs. Coghlan beat F. W. Bradley and Mrs. Armstrong, 15-12, 15-8.

SNOOKER

NEWMAN IMPROVES

Newman, who receives 17 points in each game, showed improved form against Horace Lindrum in their Gold Cup heat at Thurston's, London, yesterday. He won four frames in the afternoon and the same number at night, thus reducing his deficit to four frames, the scores at present being—Lindrum 14 frames, Newman 10 frames.

Donatello II., the crack Italian three-year-old, who finished second in the Grand Prix de Paris at Longchamp, and was purchased by Mr. E. Esmond for a big sum last autumn, will stand at the Brickfield Stud, Newmarket, at a fee of 400 guineas.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL

SCOTTISH INTEREST IN O'NEILL

Motherwell are interested in O'Neill, the Dundalk right full-back, who has been with Dundalk for some seasons, and had several "caps" in Free State football. He has just completed his apprenticeship in the Great Northern Railway Works at Dundalk. A Dundalk boy, he graduated with Brookville, a local junior team. Two representatives of the Motherwell Club were at Dalymount Park last Saturday watching him play against Bohemians.

MILNE LEAVES ARSENAL FOR MIDDLESBROUGH

Milne, Arsenal's outside left, was last night transferred to Middlesbrough, for whom he will play in their home game against Bolton Wanderers on Saturday. The transfer fee is not known, but is stated to have been a substantial one. This is the second winger Middlesbrough have signed from Arsenal, as Birkett, their outside right, was formerly at Highbury.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

SCHOOLS' TRIALS POSTPONED

The Schools' Trial matches, which were to have been held to-day at Milltown, have been postponed to January 15.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES

Old Colleges v. Old Wesley, Sydney Parade, 3.0.
Maids of the Mountain Club—Practice at 3.0

FOOD AND PRODUCE MARKETS

Manchester—Improved demand for Fat Cattle, and best Lambs harder to buy. Dublin—Oats dull, Poultry firm to dearer, Eggs scarce and firm, and Butter sales quiet. London—Wheat cargoes firmer, sharp fall in Tin, Copper easier and Rubber dull.

CATTLE.

MANCHESTER.—On offer: Beasts 993 (decrease 28), sheep and lambs 2,260 (increase 331). Irish entries included 133 fat cattle (decrease 24) and 25 dairy cows (decrease 11). Fat cattle in rather light supply. Improved demand; values were firm. Lambs were also a small offering, and best sorts cleared well at rather more money. In fat cattle choice heifers quoted 84d. to 9d., other first-grade heifers and handy-weight bullocks 8½d to 8¾d., strong bullocks 7½d Good fat young cows round 6d. Best Scotch lambs round 1/4, others 11½d. to 1/0½, ewes 6½d. to 7d. lb. Irish cows suitable for dairy purposes met with a better sale at higher prices—£24 to £30 per head at Manchester fat stock show. English and Scotch show beef realised 50/- to 60/-, and Irish round 52/- cwt. live-weight. Irish dairy cows £35 to £40 per head.

DERBY.—Good supply, splendid quality. Christmas stock. Light-weight heifers 8½d., young cows 7d. Sheep small supplies. Ewes 6d., wethers 10½d.; hoggets good trade, to 1/1. Average supply of calves. Fat veal 1/- per lb. Pigs large supplies extra good quality; porkets 17/-, baconers 15/- per score.

GRAIN.

DUBLIN GRAIN—Oats offering freely, but few buyers for same. Wheat and barley scarce and in demand. White oats 12/- to 13/3 per barrel delivered, black 11/- to 1../-, white 27/6 to 30/6, and barley 17/- to 18/6 according to class.

FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES (BALTIC).—WHEAT—A firmer tone prevailed in the cargo section following the improvement in overseas cables and lower private estimates of Argentine production. Australian descriptions were obtainable on about former terms, but other grades 3d. to 6d. per quarter dearer on balance. Buyers, however, were unresponsive. No. 1 Northern Manitoba (Atlantic) December sellers 54/-, white Pacific January 35/3, Australian afloat also January-February 37/-, Rosafe 63½lb. December 40/3. January-February 40/-, Russian (sample) afloat 34/6 to 42/6. Parcels held for 3d. to 6d. per quarter advance, but trading subdued. No. 1 Northern Manitoba (Atlantic) December-January sellers 54/-, No. 2 ditto 51/9, No. 3 ditto 45/9, No. 4 ditto 42/6. No. 1 Northern Manitoba (Vancouver) January 53/10½, No. 3 ditto 45/-, No. 4 ditto 42/6, white Pacific January 35/6, No. 1 dark hard winter Gulf afloat 41/10½, South Australian also Victorian afloat 37/-, West Australian January 38/-, Rosafe (63½lb.) January-February 39/3 re-sellers, Barusso 63½lb. February 39/-, Russian (sample) December 35/-, 1/- 41/9 per quarter of 480lb. c.i.f. terms. MAIZE—Cargoes firmer, and sellers more reserved following the sharp overnight advance in Argentina, but buyers reluctant to follow. Plate afloat also December sellers 30/3, January 30/9, February 30/10½, No. 3 yellow American Gulf January 27/9. Parcels firmer. To Liverpool-Plate January sold 29/9, February 30/3 per quarter of 480lb. c.i.f. BARLEY quiet and barely steady. Parcels of No. 3 Canadian Western (Atlantic) December sellers 28/-, No. 3 Canadian (Vancouver) January 27/3. Iraqian January 26/-. Plate January-February 25/3 per quarter of 400lb. c.i.f. OATS dull of sale. Parcels of Plate f.a.q. January-February sellers 15/9, No. 1 Canadian feed (Vancouver) December 23/-, January 22/9 per quarter of 320lb. c.i.f.

LIVERPOOL.—WHEAT—Overseas markets were better, and forward deliveries of wheat here showed a fair advance at the outset; afterwards ruled quiet, with slight fluctuations according to the offerings, in the absence of special feature, afternoon cables being somewhat disappointing, final rates marking a moderate and December exceptionally a fair improvement from Monday night. C.i.f. parcels wheat unchanged to 3d. dearer. No. 3 Manitoba December sold at 45/1½, to Liverpool and Manchester at 45/1½, January 45/- to Liverpool, and a part cargo of Victorian November 27th at 36/9 per quarter. C.i.f. terms. Ceis River Plate maize 3d. dearer. Afloat sold at 29/- to 29/1½ January 29/9, February 30/3, and No. 2 yellow American (Gulf) January 27/- to 27/1½ per quarter. Wheat on the spot firm and dearer. MAIZE—Spot parcels firm and River Plate dearer at 6/6 per cental. FLOUR 6d. lower. Straighten now 34/6 per 280lb. ex mill. Graded wheat futures opened 4d. per cental dearer, fluctuated within limited bounds, closing quiet and 1d. to 2d. dearer on the day. December most affected. Values—December 7/7½, March and May 7/6½, July 7/6½ per cental. Sales—100 loads.

PROVISIONS.

LIVERPOOL.—BACON — Continental steady, with limited supplies, but demand generally quiet, Danish exceptionally meeting a moderate inquiry at an occasional slight premium on official prices. Danish 95/- to 101/- Swedish and Dutch 91/- to 96/-, Polish 88/- to 94/- per cwt.; Canadian Wiltshire quiet at 87/- to 91/- for lean, 85/- to 89/- prime, and Irish steady at 89/- to 93/- per cwt. HAMS firm and in moderate demand at late rates. LARD on the spot quietly steady and unchanged for all descriptions. BUTTER firm and Colonial 1/- dearer, while Dutch 2/- advance at 118/- to 121/-, while New Zealand finest now held at 116/- to 119/- first grade, and also Australian 115/- to 118/- per cwt. EGGS firm at higher prices. Northern specials now 22/9 standard 21/9, selected 20/6, duck 19/6, English new laid standard 21/9, Australian 17lb. 15/9, 16lb. 16/3, 15lb. 14/9, 14lb. 14/3, 13½lb. 13/9 per 120.

MANCHESTER.—BUTTER—Continental makes firm and Colonial steady. Choicest qualities quoted: Danish 152/- to 155/-, Swedish 144/- to 146/-, Finnish 144/- to 146/-, Dutch 131/- to 132/-, New Zealand 116/- to 119/-, Australian 115/- to 118/-. BACON—Market steady for Irish, English and continental. Irish 91/- to 98/-, English 93/- to 101/-, Danish 95/- to 103/-, Swedish 91/- to 98/-, Dutch 91/- to 98/-, Polish 87/- to 95/-. LARD quiet and easier. English refined 58/6 boxes delivered. American 53/- to 54/6, according to brand. CHEESE quiet, buyers having covered requirements over the holiday period. Lancashire and Cheshire about unchanged; Colonial steady. New Zealand new season's white 67/- to 69/-, coloured 66/- to 68/-, Canadian 71/- to 74/-. EGGS—Market very firm. Irish Free State nominal, English selected 21/6, Northern Ireland specials 21/6, standards 21/6, selected 19/6; Danish 15-lb. 17/-, Australians 15/- to 15/-, Dutch ducks 13/-.

MANCHESTER MEAT.—Home-killed beef sides round 7d. to 8d., choice small lambs up to 10½d., heavier 9½d. to 10d., ewes 6d., porkets round 10½d., cutters round 9½d., chilled beef hindquarters 5½d. to 6½d., forequarters 3½d. to 4½d., frozen ox hindquarters 4½d., crops 3½d., mutton wethers 4½d. to 6d., ewes 4½d. to 4½d. Lambs, new season's 7½d. to 7¾d. Pigs, Australian and New Zealand 7½d. to 7½d.

MANCHESTER GAME AND POULTRY.—Larger supplies of dead poultry are coming to hand, and while demand is rather on the quiet side late rates maintained. Irish and English chickens 1/- to 1/2, fowls 9d., ducklings 7d., geese 8d. Irish turkeys 1/3 to 1/4, continental 1/- per lb.; pheasants 7/6, young partridge 4/6, old 1/6 per brace; best trapped rabbits firm, 2/6 to 2/8 per couple; brown hares 3/- each.

DUBLIN FRUIT AND VEGETABLE.—Imported fruits in excess of quiet trade passing, with previous values difficult to maintain at:—Apples: U.S.A. 32/- to 38/- barrel, Californian 12/- to 18/6 box. Oranges: Brazilian 11/- to 14/- case, Capo 12/- to 17/-, Jaffas 11/- to 14/-. Lemons 14/- to 16/- box, 18/- to 20/- case. Grapes: Belgian 1/6 per lb., Muscat 2/9, Californian red 20/- box, green 24/-, Almeria 15/- to 30/- barrel, Californian pears 20/- to 23/- case, 13/- half-case Grapefruit 12/- to 14/- case, pomegranates 15/-, Canary tomatoes 6/- to 7/6 boat, pineapples 3/- to 5/- each, figs 7/6 bag, Tunis dates 6/6 to 9/- dozen boxes. Onions: Spanish 30/- case, Hungarian 24/- bag; chestnuts 7/-, and cranberries 13/- box. Home-grown arrivals more plentiful, with values easier, except swedes, which were placed to better advantage at 1/- to 1/11 per cwt.; York 12/- to 34/-, large load, small 52/- to 13/-; Savoy (large) 6/- to 25/-, small 6/- to 12/-; cauliflowers 1/3 to 2/- dozen, seconds 4d. to 8d.; lettuce 6d. to 1/-, red cabbage 1/6 to 2/-, sprouts 1/- to 2/6 chip, artichokes 1/6 to 2/6, beet 10d. to 1/6 dozen bunches, leeks 2/- to 6/-, carrots 1/6 to 2/6, bag 7/- to 10/-; parsnips 2/6 to 5/-, celery 9d. to 4/6 bunch, scallions 9d. to 10d., turnips 3d. to 6d., parsley 6d. chip, 1/- to 2/- bag; sage and thyme 1½d. to 9d. bunch, horse radish 9d. to 1/-, and apples 8d. to 18/- barrel.

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DUBLIN POTATO.—Fair supplies, with demand quietly steady at 4/- to 4/9 per cwt., according to class.

DUBLIN POULTRY.—Market presented a real Christmas appearance there being a large supply of all classes, and with buyers in good form sales were put through quickly at firm rates, except poor class turkeys, which were cleared to best advantage. Rabbits not so freely placed owing to fast day, but prices showed little change at 9d. to 10d each, large ducks 1/6 to 2/6, chickens 10d. to 1/- per lb., turkeys 10d. to 1/-, secondary 9d. to 9d., fatted geese 6d. to 7d., stubble 2/6 to 3/6, and snipe 6d. to 7d.

DUBLIN BUTTER AND EGG. — Creamery supplies in excess of quiet trade passing at 124/- to 126/- per cwt. Owing to severe weather conditions, egg collections are under average, and, with a fairly good demand, stocks are clearing readily at firm rates. Extra heavy grades 21/6 to 22/6, selected 20/6 to 21/0, medium 19/6 to 20/-, trade and pullets 16/6 to 17/-, and ducks very scarce at 18/- to 19/4 per 120.

DUBLIN FISH. — Short supplies totalled 42 boxes from one steam trawler, eight chests lobsters, 200 boxes herrings, and a small amount from country and local sendees. Demand good at:—Lobsters 20/- to 22/6 per 13 large, medium 12/6 to 16/-, small 5/- to 8/-; turbot 1/- to 5/- each, brill 1/- to 2/-, herrings 18/- to 17/6 box, plaice 20/- to 60/-, half-box, cod 30/- to 35/-, whiting 15/- to 35/-, and ray 20/- to 25/-.

PRODUCE.

LONDON.—SUGAR—British makes remained slow and unchanged. Raws quiet, but firm on reserved offers. 96 per cent. afloat to the United Kingdom sold at 5/10½, and new 5/11½ asked c.i.f. terms. Terminal very dull; March sold at 6/1½ per cwt. COFFEE—Spot market featureless and trade demand sluggish. COCOA—Market dull. Accra spot 24/9 c.i.f. Terminal, March, sold at 26/-, May 25/-, July 25/1½ to 25/-, September 25/6 per cwt. SPICE—Pepper steady, quiet. Lampong black, January-March buyers 5½d., March-May 2½d.; white Muntok, January-March, quoted 8¾d., March-May 5½d., c.i.f. Terminal section idle. Cloves quiet. Madagascar, spot, in bond, 6½d., and December-January 5¾d. per lb. Sago flour, December-January, 8/7½. February sold at 8/8 per cwt., c.i.f. TEA—Ceylon auctions of 19,819 packages aroused very keen support, and a firmer market resulted. Prices for low medium teas ½d. to occasionally ¾d. per lb. dearer. Pekoe sold at 1/0½ to 1/4½, broken 1/2 to 1/3, orange 1/1 to 1/3½, broken orange 1/1½ to 1/6½, tannings 1/3½ to 1/4½. RUBBER—Market dull. Sheet, spot and December, sold at 7½d., January-March 7¾d., April-June 7¾d., and July-September 7¾d. per lb. HEMP—Manila firm on paucity of offers, but quiet, grade December-February, quoted £25, c.i.f. SISAL—Market for African varieties idle and unchanged. OILS—Linseed firm. Spot (small lots) sellers 29/9, December 27/5, January-April 27/4½, May-August 27/7½, after 27/6 paid. Rape slow crude, spot 36/-, refined 37/-. Cotton steady; crude Egyptian, naked, spot 19/6, common edible 22/6, deodorised barrels 27/-. Soya steady; English crude, naked, spot 27/-, deodorised barrels 33/6. Cocoanut quiet; Ceylon white drums, spot 33/-, January 1/9/6, English deodorised barrels 30/-. Groundnut slow; English crude, naked, spot 28/6, deodorised barrels 36/6. Turpentine quiet; American, spot 31/-, January-April 32/-. Resin quiet; American, grade B 13/9, F/G 14/3 per cwt.

OILSEEDS—Linseed—Market firm on reserve of sellers and higher Argentine cables. Plate, to Hull, December sellers £13 13/6, January £13 5/9, February £12 2/6; Calcutta, to London, December £15, January £14 17/6; Bombay, to London, December £15 5/9, January £15 1/3, March £14 12/6. Rapeseed quiet; Toria, to Hull and the Continent, December-January, £15 17/6. Cottonseed steady; Egyptian black, to Hull, December, also January, £8 11/3; February, also March, £8 12/6. Groundnuts steady; Coromandel, to the Continent, December, also January, £11 15/-, February £11 16/3, March £11 17/6, April £11 18/9. Castorseed maintained; Bombay to Hull, December-January, £14 13/9. Soya Beans slow; Manchurian, to the Continent, December, also January, £8 2/6, February £8 3/9 per ton, c.i.f.

JUTE—A dull state of affairs continued, but prices disclosed only slight alteration. Firsts November-December and December-January sold £19 10/-, January-February sellers £19 11/3, lightings sellers £18 15/-, Hearts £17 11/3, Daisee £17 9/9, Tossa £16 15/- c.i.f. Calcutta gunnies quiet; 10oz. December also January-March 17/3, 8oz. December 13/7, January-March 13/9. Liverpool Twills 47/9 and 37/10½ respectively, but both positions 43/1½ c.i.f. SHELLAC—Market dull. T.N. spot 42/- to 45/-, December 41/6, March 43/-, May 44/-, and December-January c.i.f. 42/-.

LIVERPOOL.—CANE SUGAR quiet. Sellers basis 96 deg pol. parcels 5/- per cwt. c.i.f. for December-January shipment to U.K. Refined descriptions steady, without quotable change. COCOA—The spot demand for West African continues very slow. Forward shipment positions dull and easier. Sellers new crop good fermented Accra at 24/6 and new crop Lagos f.a.q. 23/6, with buyers of both descriptions at 6d. less. December-February and January-March shipments c.i.f. Continent per 50 kilos. JAPANESE PEAS—Spot parcels in store steadily held at £21 15/- per ton, with a quiet demand. Later 5/- dearer. RICE BRAN in quiet demand. Burma for December shipment unaltered at £6 5/-, with February-March shipments now quoted £5 10/- per ton ex ship terms.

OIL CAKES—The demand for imported descriptions in forward shipment positions continues very quiet, but prices remain steady and unchanged. American linseed quoted £8 5/-, River Plate (round) £8 15/-, and Indian expeller £8 11/3, all c.i.f. December-January shipments.

OIL SEEDS—Linseed—River Plate quiet, with £12 3/9 per ton quoted for new crop January-February shipment. Cottonseed continues steady, but quiet. Values of white woolly sorts unaltered at £4 5/- to £4 15/- per ton forward shipments ex ship terms, according to position and quality. Palm Kernels quiet, with sellers of December and January shipments at £11 2/6 per ton. PALM KERNEL OIL—Crushers' prices continue steady and maintained at £21 for crushed and/or extracted crude g.m.q., and £25 per ton for deodorised, all naked ex mills Liverpool, with a fair demand. GROUNDNUT OIL quietly steady, with crushers still asking £33 10/- per ton for deodorised naked ex mills Liverpool. COCOANUT OIL—English made crushed crude quiet and unchanged at £21 naked ex mills Liverpool. Forward shipments of imported descriptions rather quieter, with £19 15/- to £19 17/6 quoted for white Ceylon in drums and £19 7/6 to £19 10/- per ton for Straits, both c.i.f. to Liverpool.

SEED OILS—Liverpool makes in quiet request, with prices steady and

PROSPECTUS

The List will OPEN on MONDAY, the 20th DECEMBER, 1937, and CLOSE on or before FRIDAY, 24th DECEMBER, 1937.

COUNTY BOROUGH OF CORK

ISSUE OF £200,000

1937 4% REDEEMABLE STOCK (1957/77)

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The Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., Cork, is authorised to receive applications and instalments payable as follows:—

£10	0	0%	on Application.
£50	0	0%	on 28th January, 1938.
£39	0	0%	on 9th April, 1938.
£99	0	0	

Interest will be paid half-yearly on 1st May and 1st November.

Trustees in the Irish Free State are authorised to invest funds in the above Stock, unless expressly forbidden by the instruments (if any) creating the Trust, and the Stock is also eligible for Deposit by Insurance Companies doing business in the Irish Free State.

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THE TOWN CLERK or CITY ACCOUNTANT, City Hall, Cork.

The Register of the Stock will be kept by the City Accountant for the time being, who will be the Registrar for all the purposes of the Regulations made by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health with reference to Stock issued by Urban Authorities.

The whole of the Stock shall be extinguished in forty years from the date of issue, but the Corporation shall have the option of redeeming the Stock, at par, on the 1st December, 1957, or any subsequent date between that and the 1st December, 1977, on giving six months' previous notice.

The Stock will be issued free of all costs and charges to investors, and will rank equally with all other securities of the Corporation.

The proceeds of this issue will be utilised to meet the following purposes:—

(1) £157,650 (One Hundred and Fifty-seven Thousand, Six Hundred and Fifty Pounds) on account of the money which the Corporation have authority to raise by borrowing under the powers conferred upon them by the Housing of the Working Classes Acts, 1890 to 1931, for the provision of the houses for the Working Classes.

(2) £22,350 (Twenty-two Thousand, Three Hundred and Fifty Pounds) on account of the money which the Corporation have authority to raise by borrowing under the powers conferred upon them by the Public Health Acts, 1878 to 1931, for the erection of a City Hall and Municipal Offices.

(3) £20,000 (Twenty Thousand Pounds) on account of the money which the Corporation have authority to raise by borrowing under the powers conferred upon them by the Vocational Education Act, 1930, for the purpose of making a grant to the Cork City Vocational Committee for the erection by that Committee of a new School of Commerce.

(4) For raising such sum as may be required for payment of reasonable expenses incurred in and about the creation and issue of such Stock and properly chargeable to Capital.

The Public Debt of the City on account of borrowed moneys as at 1st November, 1937, is as follows (after deducting Sinking Funds):—

Productive	£836,361	1 3
Non-Productive	£217,688	19 5
	£1,054,050	0 8

The Official Valuation of Property liable to rates within the City is £234,709 7s. 0d., and is annually increasing.

The Stock is secured upon all the Revenues of the City, including the Revenues from Rates and from its Water, Housing, Markets, City Estate and other undertakings. Holders of this Stock may in addition to other remedies enforce payment of Interest (if any) in arrears by the appointment of a Receiver.

Applications, which must be for the amounts of £10 of Stock or multiples thereof, should be made on the accompanying form and forwarded to the Munster and Leinster Bank Limited, Cork, or any of its Branches, together with the amount payable on application.

Payment in full may be made at any time after allotment. In case of partial allotment the balance of the amount paid on application will be applied towards the payment of the amount due on the 29th January, 1938. Interest at the rate of £4 0s. 0d per cent. per annum will be allowed on fully paid Allotments from 1st January, 1938, to 30th April, 1938. First full half-year's Dividend will be paid on 1st November, 1938.

Stock Certificates will in due course be prepared and issued in exchange for fully paid letters of Allotment.

An agreement will be entered into with the Commissioners of Inland Revenue for the payment to them, of composition under the provisions of the Customs and Inland Revenue Act, 1887, for the Stamp Duty on transfers of the present issue of Stock.

Failure to pay any instalment at its due date will render the Allotment liable to cancellation and previous payments liable to forfeiture.

A Commission of 5/- per £100 Stock will be allowed to Bankers and Stockbrokers on allotments made in respect of Applications bearing their stamp.

Application will be made to the Cork and Dublin Stock Exchanges for leave to deal in the Stock now offered, and in due course for an official quotation.

Any further information required by intending investors may be had on application to either of the undersigned, or to Messrs. J. C. FORDE & CO., Stockbrokers, 7 South Mall, Cork.

CORNELIUS HARRINGTON, Town Clerk.
EDWARD J. TWOMEY, A.C.A., City Accountant.

CITY HALL, CORK,
14th December, 1937.

APPLICATION FORM FOR

CORK CORPORATION 4% 1937 REDEEMABLE STOCK 1957-77

ISSUE OF £200,000 AT £99 PER CENT.

TO THE MANAGER,
MUNSTER AND LEINSTER BANK, LIMITED,
CORK.

I/We .....
of .....
hereby apply for £..... of the CORK CORPORATION 1937 REDEEMABLE STOCK according to the conditions in the Prospectus of 14th December, 1937, and undertake to accept the same or any less amount that may be allotted to me/us, and to pay for same in conformity with the terms of the said Prospectus.

I/We enclose the required deposit of £....., being £10 per cent. on the nominal amount applied for.

Ordinary Signature .....

Full Name .....
(IN BLOCK LETTERS.) (STATE WHETHER MRS. OR MISS.)

Address .....

.....

.....

Date .....

No application must be for less than £10 and all applications must be in multiples of £10.

The List of Applications will OPEN on MONDAY, 20th DECEMBER, 1937, and CLOSE on or before FRIDAY, 24th DECEMBER, 1937.

MOTORS AND TEXTILES

BIRMINGHAM

Majority of Motors weaker. Dennis fell to 19/9 and Fords to 21/3; but Standards recovered to 14/10½.

Alvis	4/-	Morris	31/3
Austins	30/6	Napiers	9/4½
Do. "A"	24/6	Raleighs	60/3
Bluemels	33/7½	Rilcys	13/9
Enfields	24/9	Rolls	91/3
Guys	2/4½	Singers	4/6
Humbers	16/3	Triumphs	1/4½
Leylands	79/6	Dunlops	32/1½
Lucas	56/3	Triplex	47/3

MANCHESTER

Dull tone among Textiles. Bleachers and Spinners barely steady; other prices firm.

Bleachers	4/9-5/3	Cottons	37/6-38/-
Dyers	5/5/6	Velvets	3/6-4/-
"Stubbers"	5/6-5/9	Spinners	6/-6/3
Calicos	7/7/6	Rovers	13/5-13/9
Coats	41/-41/6	Turner and Newall	81/-82/-
Courtaulds	44/9-45/3	Wall Paper	Def.37/-37/6
Dunlops	32/ 32/6		

NOVEMBER GOLD PROFIT

Amalgamated Banket Areas £10,052, against £11,537 in October.

SUN INSURANCE OFFICE LTD. FOUNDED 1710.

Incorporated in England.

FIRE

PRIVATE HOUSE COMPREHENSIVE

BURGLARY, MOTOR,

PERSONAL ACCIDENT,

THIRD PARTY,

Etc., Etc.

Dublin Branch—9 COLLEGE GREEN

Cork Sub-Office: 80 SOUTH MALL.

NEW COMPANIES

The following companies have been registered:—

Glentown Slate Quarries (1937), Limited (private company).—Nominal capital, £40,000. Objects—To enter into and carry into effect, with such (if any) modifications as may be agreed upon, an agreement expressed to be made between Glentown Slate Quarries, Ltd., of the one part, and this company of the other part; and to carry on, develop and turn to account the business of quarry masters and quarry owners, slate and stone merchants, etc. Subscribers to memorandum and articles of association—W. Holmes, Drumoghill, Manorcunningham, Co. Donegal, quarry master; E. R. J. Crowe, 49 Merrion road, Ballsbridge, Dublin, timber importer. First directors—W. Holmes, C. Holmes, E. R. Crowe and R. W. Crowe, of whom E. R. Crowe and R. W. Crowe shall be deemed to have been nominated by W. and L. Crowe, Ltd.

Goorwitch, Limited (public company).—Nominal capital, £250,000. Objects—To carry on business as drapers, costumiers and milliners. Subscribers to memorandum and articles of association—N. Goorwitch, Broome, Malone road, Belfast, costumier; Mrs. A. Goorwitch, Broome, Malone road, Belfast; L. Lewis, 11 Cardigan Drive, Belfast; B. Miller, 7 Abercorn place, Londonderry; D. Danker, 12 Eia street, Belfast; Prudence E. McCrory, 8 William street, Lurgan; M. McDaniel, 36 Clonard Gardens, Belfast.

William W. Warnock and Co., Limited (private company).—Nominal capital, £25,000. Objects—To acquire and take over as a going concern the business of dealer in wheat, cereals and feeding stuffs of all kinds carried on by William Watson Warnock, at Dame street, Dublin, and to acquire all or any part of the property and assets of such business and to undertake all or any of the liabilities in connection therewith. Subscribers to Memorandum and Articles of Association—W. W. Warnock, Laurel Lodge, Kimmage road, East, Terenure, Dublin, grain and flour merchant; N. Slater Hodgson, "Lenzie," 92 Kimmage road, West, Terenure, Dublin, grain merchant. First Directors—W. W. Warnock, N. S. Hodgson, R. E. Warnock and P. G. Warnock.

COMPANY NOTICES

GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY (IRELAND).

Notice is hereby given that the Books in which Transfers of the CONSOLIDATED 4 PER CENT. DEBENTURE STOCK are registered will be Closed from 28th December, 1937, to 14th January, 1938, both dates inclusive.

F. C. WALLACE, Secretary.

Amiens street Station, Dublin,
14th December, 1937.

THE JOHANNESBURG CONSOLIDATED INVESTMENT COMPANY, LTD., GROUP.

DECLARATION OF DIVIDENDS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Dividends have been declared payable to Shareholders registered in the books of the undermentioned Companies at the close of business on 31st December, 1937, and to persons presenting the respective Coupons, detailed below, detached from Share Warrants.

Dividends declared in the currency of the Union of South Africa and become due on 3rd January, 1938 but Warrants in payment will be posted both from Head and London Offices on or about 29th January, 1938, this interval being necessary for the balancing of the books and preparation of the Warrants. Dividends payable from the London Office will be paid in British currency at par, provided there is no material difference between 3rd January, 1938. Should there be any material difference between the two currencies, the London Office will pay on the basis of the equivalent British currency, calculated at the rate of exchange ruling on that date.

Amounts payable to persons presenting Coupons will be on the same basis, irrespective of the date of presentation of Coupons.

Warrants despatched from the London Office to persons resident in Great Britain or Northern Ireland will be subject to a deduction of United Kingdom Income Tax at rates to be arrived at after allowing for relief (if any) in respect of Dominion taxes.

Shareholders with registered addresses outside South Africa who desire to have their Dividends paid to addresses therein, or, vice versa, must give notice of the Companies to that effect on or before 31st December, 1937.

The Transfer Books and Register of Members will be Closed in each case from 1st January to 7th January, 1938, both days inclusive.

The Dividends on the Shares included in Share Warrants will be payable to the persons presenting the relative Coupons at the London Office, 10 and 11 Austin Friars, E.C. 2, on or after 31st January, 1938, in accordance with a notice to be issued by the London Office.

Coupons must be deposited FOUR CLEAR DAYS before being paid, and, unless accompanied by Inland Revenue Declarations, will be subject to a deduction of United Kingdom Income Tax as above.

Name of Company (each of which is Incorporated in the Union of South Africa).	Dividend No.	Coupon No.	Rate of Dividend Per Cent.	Per share in the Currency of the Union of South Africa.
Government Gold Mining Areas (Modderfontein) Consolidated, Ltd.	41	41	45	2/6½ (per 5/- Share)
New State Areas, Ltd.	26	26	15	3/- (per £1 Share)
The Langlaagte Estate and Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	93	82	5	1/-
			*Bonus 5	*Bonus 1/-
The Randfontein Estates Gold Mining Co., Witwatersrand, Ltd.	20	20	1½	1/3d.
Van Ryn Deep, Ltd.	49	49	12½	2/6d.
Witwatersrand Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	44	62	12½	2/6d.

*The Bonus Dividend of 5 per cent. declared by the Langlaagte Estate and Gold Mining Co., Ltd., is payable out of the proceeds of sales of Property and Township Stands.

By Order,
Johannesburg Consolidated Investment Company, Ltd.,
London Agents,
A. W. CHRISTIE, Secretary.

10 and 11 Austin Friars, London, E.C. 2,
14th December, 1937.

Financial News & Notes

DUBLIN IDLE

CONVERSION LOAN DULL

GUINNESS LOWER

Trading on the Dublin Stock Exchange was at very low ebb yesterday, and there was an almost complete absence of support. Consequently some small liquidation put prices lower in many directions.

The Second National Loan eased a shade, and Conversion Loan came on offer and relapsed 15s. War Loan declined to 101¼.

Banks were mostly buyers, and Provincial New advanced 1s.

Guinness Ordinary were a dull spot, falling several pence to 121s. 6d. on some liquidation. Rails remained in neglect.

Cement Ordinar hardened to 21s. 9d., but Clondalkin Paper Ordinary eased to 8s. 5½d. Goulding Debentures fell 1s. 9d., and Irish Cinema Ordinary drooped to 3s. *Irish Times* Second Preference moved up to 9s.

Interest among British Industrials was negligible. Coats Ordinary held 41s., but Courtaulds gave way to 45s., Imperial Tobaccos advised dull.

Vickers Ordinary, Ford Motors, and Emmies inclined to give way. Shell Transport Ordinary showed a harder trend, and Brazilian Tractions improved to 13½.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

The prices given in the following tables were marked before 2.45 p.m. yesterday:—

GOVERNMENT FUNDS.

3% Second National Loan	(113¼) 113
4½% Third Loan	(109) 109
3½% Fourth Loan	(101) 101
4% Conversion Loan	(105¾) 105
4½% Land Bonds	(107⅝) 107⅝
Do. (under £200)	(107⅜) 107⅜
Do. New	(104¼) 104¼
Agric. Credit 5% 1st Series	(106) 106

BRITISH FUNDS.

3½% War Loan	(101⅞) 101⅝ 3/-
4% Funding Loan	(111⅜) 111¾ab 112⅛a
4% Victory Bonds	110½b 111⅛a
3½% Conversion Loan	(101⅜) *101¾
Guar. 3% 1939 Stock	(85⅛) 84⅝
India 3½ Stock	(93⅜) 93

BANKS.

National	(53/9) 53/8b 54/-
Provincial Old	(55/6) 55/6b
Do. New	(54/-) 55/-

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.

Dublin Distillers "A"	(3/-) 3/-
Guinness Ord.	(122/3) 121/8
Do. Pref.	(147/8) 147/8

RAILS, TRAMS, ETC.

Clontarf and Hill of Howth Ord.	(92/8) 92/8

GAS.

Alliance Gas Ord.	(33/-) *33/-

DRAPERIES.

Crowe Wilson Pref.	(17/-) 17/-

IRISH INDUSTRIALS.

Arklow Pottery Pref.	(12/-) 12/b
Brockhouse (J.) Ord.	(12/6) 12/6b
Carroll Ord.	(26/) 26/-
Do. Pref.	(23/9) 23/6b 24/-a
Cement Ord.	(21/6) 21/9
Clondalkin Paper Ord.	(8/6) 8/8¼
Ever Ready (Ireland) Ord.	(8/6) 8/8a
Goodbody Pref.	(24/3) *24/-
Goulding Deb.	(101/6) *100/-
Hammond Lane Pref.	(22/9) 22/9
Independent Pref.	(29/5) 29/b
Irish Cinema Ord.	(3/6) *3/-
Do. Pref.	(15/-) *15/a
Irish Times 2nd Pref.	(8/9) 9/-
Martin (T. and C.) Ord.	(33/10½) 33/10½
Sunbeam Wolsey Ord.	(31/6) 31/6
Stephen's Green Cinema Pref'd.	10/-

BRITISH INDUSTRIALS.

B.A.T. Ord.	(103/-) 102/3b 103/6a
Brazilian Traction	(13⅜) 13½
Coats (J. and P.) Ord.	(41/-) 41/-
Courtaulds Ord.	(45/3) 45/-
Do. Pref.	(25/-) 25/7½
Dunlop Rubbers	(32/4½) 31/6b 32/6a
Electrical and Musical	(16/6) 15/9b 16/6a
Ford Motors Ord.	(21/6) 21/3
G.F.C. "B" Pref.	35/8¼
Imp. Tobacco Ord.	(145/10½) 145/- b 144/6a
Lever 7% Pref.	(32/-) 31/9
Lewis's 6% Pref.	27/9
Lyons 7% Pref.	4/0¾
Morris Motors Ord.	37/4½
Standard Motors New Ord.	2/9½ prem.
Shell Transport Ord.	(53/8) 54/9b 56/6a
Vickers Ord.	(25/-) 24/b 24/9a

* Odd lot. a asked. b bid. c cash.
(Last business done given in parentheses.)

STOCK EXCHANGE SETTLEMENTS.

Contango	Jan. 5 Jan. 17
Ticket	Jan. 4 Jan. 18
Intermediate	Jan. 5 Jan. 19
Account Day	Jan. 6 Jan. 20

IRISH BANKS' RATE.

Irish Banks' Rate (June 30, 1932) ... 3 %

Loans on Government Stocks transferred ... 2½%
Deposits under £2,000 ... 1½%
Deposits of £2,000 and over ... 1½%
The rates in the foregoing table are subject to variation.

BELFAST

War Loan 101¼, 101⅛; 4½ per cent. Guaranteed Bonds 112⅜, 5 per cent Conversion Loan 114½; Banks were idle and unchanged; Belfast Ropework Ord. repeated 22s., and P. Coats 6 per cent. "B" Pref. 29s. As Courtaulds 45s., British-American Tobacco 102s. 9d., 102s. 6d. (small); Imperial Tobacco 143s. 3d. Tobacco Securities Trust Ord. 62s. 6d., Dunlop Rubbers 32s., Mexican Eagles Oil Common 14s., Scottish Union and National "A" 16⅜, British Insulated 92s. 9d., General Electrics 76s. 6d., Richard Thomas 9s. 8½d., 9s. 9d.; Baldwins 8s. 6d., Eno Ord. 5s. 11½d., Moss Gear 8s. 6d.

CORK

Second National Loan came back to 113, Third Loan steady 109, Fourth Loan 101, Conversion Loan dropped to 105, Land Bonds repeated 107⅞, War Loan easier 101⅛; Munster Banks unaltered 121s. 6d., closing buyers; P. J. Carrolls Ord. unchanged 26s., Clondalkin Paper Mills Ord. harder 8s. 5½d., Cork Corporation, 1933 and 1935 Stock dealt in 100; Coats Ord. remained 41s., Irish Tanners Ord. buyers 10s., T. Lyons (fully paid) sellers 77s. 6d., (£4 paid) buyers 57s. 6d., sellers 60s., Pref. buyers 80s.; Ranks (Ireland) Pref., sellers 25s. 6d., Sunbeam Wolsey Pref. buyers 27s.

FREE STATE EXCHEQUER RETURN

The Exchequer return for the period April 1 to December 11, 1937, shows that revenue is £3,929 lower and expenditure £119,907 higher than in the same period of 1936. Totals:—

	REVENUE.	EXPENDITURE.
1937	£18,925,236	£19,481,088
1936	18,929,165	19,361,981
Lower..	£3,929	Higher £119,907

The revenue last week was £385,050, compared with £422,051 in the corresponding week last year, and expenditure £3,500, compared with nil.

AGGREGATES.

The aggregates for two years are appended:

REVENUE.	April 1, '37, to Dec. 11, '37.	April 1, '36, to Dec. 12, '36
	£	£
Customs	7,198,600	7,512,600
Excise	4,075,000	4,210,000
Motor Duties	410,000	415,500
Estate Duties	645,000	709,000
Stamps	795,000	800,000
Income Tax	1,827,000	1,705,000
Corporation Profits	357,000	370,000
Excess Profits	79,000	119,000
Post Office	1,210,000	1,200,000
Land Annuities, etc.	682,236	648,616
Other Receipts	1,006,911	952,549
Total Revenue	18,925,236	18,929,165
EXPENDITURE.	£	£
Central Fund Services	2,740,622	2,177,164
Supply Services	16,741,266	16,190,917
Total Expenditure	19,481,088	18,361,981

EXCHEQUER BALANCE.

There were no other receipts. The only other issue was £50,000 for electricity supply. The balance in the Exchequer on December 11, 1937, was £899,083, compared with £1,219,464 on the same date last year, and £2,058,051 on April 1, 1937.

LONDON INACTIVE

PRICES MAINLY LOWER

Owing largely to uncertainty regarding the trend of events in the Far East, the London Stock markets yesterday experienced another dismal session. The weakness which characterised Wall street on Monday and speculative closing of commitments further overshadowed sentiment and dealers and operators alike adopted a cautious attitude pending more encouraging developments. Quotations were not slow to reflect the general inactivity and irregular fluctuations were in most cases against holders. One of the few cheerful groups was that for Oil shares, where early dullness was dispelled by fresh support from Continental sources. Kaffirs developed slightly more business when the dividend announcements became known; but, as these were mostly in accordance with expectations, only a limited number of issues were able to record gains on balance.

BRITISH FUNDS.

Reduced levels were quoted all round in the gilt-edged market at the start, but dealers encountered little selling pressure, and most issues were able to regain their initial declines. Funding Loans managed to finish with small rises, and War Loan also gained the turn. The only dull spot was Old Consols, which dropped ¼ to 74¾.

FOREIGN BONDS.

Foreign Bonds remained subdued, but a better tone prevailed among Brazilians, and the 5 per cent. of 1887 recovered to 60. Europeans were still unpopular, and the German Dawes and Young issues continued to recede. Far Easterns were again subjected to liquidation, and fresh losses occurred in Japanese Loans.

RAILS.

The market for British Rails was steady, but thoroughly uninteresting, and support for Foreign Rails dwindled to negligible proportions. Argentines maintained their recent improvement, however, and San Paulo Ord. added another point to 62. Colonial and American Rails lost ground under the influence of Wall street advices.

INDUSTRIALS.

Few Industrials attracted favourable notice, but equally there was no material volume of selling, and, while the market generally gave a depressing display, adverse movements were rarely significant. Electrical Equipments showed one or two rather sharp reactions, and Cable and Wireless stocks formed a dull spot, but Motors picked up in the late dealings, and Cement shares also finished in fairly good style. Iron and Steels provided little of outstanding interest, and small movements were the rule among Rayon, Brewery and Tobacco shares.

MINES.

Trading in Mines proceeded on a modest scale, and although Continental operators again displayed an interest in Kaffirs this section presented an undecided appearance at the close. Randfonteins, Geldenhuis Deep, and certain other dividend payers reached slightly higher levels, while S.A. Lands and "Goldfields" were among those which declined. Rhodesian Coppers closed fairly steady after making a dull start, but Tin shares were unsettled by the fall in the metal price, and some of the leaders developed weakness in the closing stages.

THE MONEY MARKET

SILVER PRICES RECOVER

Gold sales yesterday totalled £330,000. The price declined 1d. to 139s. 10d. per fine ounce and the premium fell ¼d. to 9d., with the dollar rate 5.00.00 at the fixing.

The usual seasonal hardening of money rates over the year end was indicated by the discount rate for short bills being quoted at ⅛ per cent., while three months' bills were negotiated at ¼ to ⅛ per cent. In contrast to the relatively firm rate for shorts which can be discounted at the Bank of England at the year end squeeze, if necessary, there was a noticeably weak tone in three months' paper. In some cases February and early March maturities were being purchased at ⅛ per cent. Day to day loans continued in quiet demand at ½ per cent.

A small recovery occurred in silver prices on buying by India and speculators, cash rose ⅞d. to 18⅛d. per ounce and forward advanced ⅛d. to 18⅛d. There was only a small amount of the metal changing hands.

Bank Rate Discount (changed June 30, 1932). 2%

60 days (fine)	.....	¾ %			
3 months	.....	¾	1⅛ %	Trade	2 2½ %
4 „	.....	1⅛	¾ %	„	2½ 2¾ %
6 „	.....	⅝	¾ %	„	2½ 3 %
Loans to Brokers Day-to-day					½ ⅝ %
„ „ for a week					½ %
Deposit Allowance Banks at Call					½ %
„ „ Discount Houses at Call					½ %
„ „ „ at Notice					¾ %

The sudden burst of speculative activity which on Monday interrupted an unusually prolonged period of firmness in the franc showed no sign of abatement yesterday. The forward franc was subject to persistent selling throughout the day, so that, despite resistance from official quarters, the day's net decline proved even more severe than on Monday. Although pressure was as yet largely concentrated upon the forward market the spot franc was also subject to an increasing volume of sales arising from small withdrawals of capital from Paris to foreign centres. After a slight initial depreciation, however, the French authorities stiffened their resistance in this direction and the rate was effectively held at the new level for the rest of the day.

There were few other important developments in the foreign exchange market yesterday. The dollar closed only slightly weaker against sterling on the day. Most other currencies in the European section moved within narrow limits, final rates usually being slightly more favourable to London.

Centre	Dec. 14 Closing Rates	Dec. 13 Closing Rates	Parity before 20/9/31
New York	4.99⅛-15	4.99⅛-4.99¼	4.86⅝
Montreal	4.99⅝	4.99⅞-4.99¾	4.86⅔
Amsterdam	8.08½	8.08⅞-8.09	12.10
Berlin	12.39	12.39⅛-12.39½	20.43
Brussels	29.39	29.40	29.38	29.39	35.00
Copenhagen	22.38	22.42	22.36	22.42	25.22
Geneva	21.60	21.61	21.60	21.61	25.18
Madrid	50.100 nom		50.100 nom		108.22
Milan	94⅛	95	94-95⅛	95⅛	92.46
Oslo	19.88	19.92	19.86	19.92	18.15
Paris	147⅜	147¼	147⅛	147⅜	124.21
Stockholm	19.38	19.42	19.38	19.42	18.15
Alexandria	97⅞	97⅝	97⅝	97⅞	97.5
Athens	540	555	540	555	375
Helsingfors	225¼	226½	225¼	226½	193.2
Lisbon	110	110⅝	110	110⅝	110
Prague	142	142⅝	142	142⅝	164.25
Vienna	25½	27½	25½	27½	34.58
Warsaw	26¼	26⅝	26¼	26⅝	43.38
B. Ayres	16.9⅛	17.02	16.97	17.00	47.577
Lima 60 dys	18.75	19.75nom	18.75	19.75nom	17.38
Mexico	17.50	18.50	17.50	18.50	9.76
M'video	25¼	26¾	25½	26½	51⅛
Rio de Jan.	2⅜	2 11/16	2⅜	2 11/16	5.42
Valparaiso	125 nom		125 nom		408
Calcutta	18⅞	18⅝	18⅞	18⅝	18
Hongkong	14⅛	15⅛	14⅛	15⅛	—
Kobe (p.ya.)	13⅝	14⅜	13⅝	14⅜	24
Shanghai*	14	14⅝	14	14⅝	—
Singapore	28⅛	29¼	28⅛	28¼	24

* Rate quoted in London.

LONDON "STREET" MARKET

Internationals were rather idle and irregular in the "Street" Market yesterday. Prices advanced at first, but towards the close an easier tendency developed and the early gains were practically wiped out. Trading was on a small scale and finished quite early. U.S. Steels improved at first to 56½ only to fall back to 55⅝, or ¼ below their four o'clock level. Brazilian Tractions were dull at 13⅜. Nickels after rising to 43½ slipped back to 42⅝, a net gain of ¼. Radios showed a small advance to 6⅜, while Chryslers appreciated to 54. Elsewhere Mexican Eagles changed hands around 13s. 10½d., with Canadians steady at 12s. 6d.

OIL YIELD

Venezuelan Oil Concessions.—Production for the week ended 11th December, 1937, was — Bolivar District, 1,164,009 barrels; Maracaibo District, 39,545 barrels. Total—1,203,547 barrels.

IRISH RAILWAY RECEIPTS

	Last week. +Inc. -Dec.	Total 49 weeks. +Inc. -Dec.
	£	£
Gt. Southern	32,891- 4,038	3,910,608- 22,378
Gt. Northern	16,750- 300	1,002,750- 3,800
Co. Down	3,067+ 215	148,301- 3,935

MARKETS AT A GLANCE

Tuesday Night.

STOCKS AND SHARES:

London inactive.

Dublin idle.

Manchester dull.

Birmingham Motors weaker.

New York irregular.

MONEY:

Bank of England Rate	2%
Last year	2%
Irish Bank Rate	3%
London Day-to-day Loans	½%
London Three Months' Bills	½-⅝%
Price of Gold	139/10
Silver (spot)	19½d.

THE INDUSTRIAL MARKET

RENEWED SUPPORT FOR CEMENT GROUP

After some hesitation at the opening yesterday, the Industrial market presented a somewhat steadier appearance during the afternoon, but prices moved in irregular fashion.

Developments in the Far East were again a restraining factor, and little disposition was seen to open up fresh commitments.

After showing moderate improvement, the trans-Atlantic counters developed a reactionary trend in the late dealings.

"Emmies" eased to 16s. 3d. and Decca Preference to 8s., the last-named despite the improved results. Cable and Wireless Stocks remained on the quiet side.

RISE IN VICKERS.

A firmer tendency developed in the Iron and Steel section, although price changes were generally of small amount. Indian Irons recovered ½ to 2½. There was a revival of interest in Tube investments, which improved 9d. to 83s., and Vickers were 6d. better at 25s.

Apart from Callenders, which further improved 6d. to 89s., Electrical Equipments, in which business was on a small scale, closed easier.

A somewhat steadier appearance was noticeable in the Motor section, but business was small.

Movements in the Aircraft section were restricted by the small amount of business passing. Faireys improved to 18s. on the large increase in profits. Bristols, however, reacted to 47s.

TEXTILES LOWER.

The Stores group remained quiet and uncertain. In the Provision and Catering section, Home and Colonial and International Tea were dull spots.

Textiles generally lost ground in the absence of buyers. Calico Printers, J. and P. Coats, Fine Spinners and Salts (Saltaire) all came on offer.

Rayons had a rather neglected appearance and showed little variation. Courtaulds dipped to 44s., but steadied later to 45s.

Breweries were subject to scattered sales from the provinces and declines were general. Charringtons were marked down 2s. to 62s. and Guinness eased to 120s. 9d.

TOBACCO SHARES DULL.

Tobaccos remained on the dull side. Carreras "A" dwindled to 7⅞, while "Bats" and "Imps" finished the turn easier at 5¼ and 7⅞ respectively.

With few exceptions, the Shipping group had a harder appearance. A generally easier tone prevailed in the Miscellaneous section, but losses were usually of small dimensions.

Beechams Defd. sagged to 58s. 6d., as did Boots Drug to 44s. 9d. James Finlays declined to 52s. 6d., and United Molasses were also dull, while the Lever issues finished a shade lower.

There was a marked renewal of interest among the Cement issues on rumours of a probable increase in prices.

OIL LEADERS WELL MAINTAINED

Dealers in Oil shares reported only a moderate business yesterday, and generally prices fluctuated within narrow limits. There was no selling pressure locally, and a steady improvement took place in international counters, which was helped by moderate support from continental centres. Despite the small volume of transactions, therefore, the tendency of the market at the close was quite firm, and price changes favoured holders in the majority of cases. A steady local investment demand existed for Burmahs, which rose ⅛. A fair amount of interest continued to be taken in the "Eagle" issues, which finished better on the day.

RUBBERS EASIER

The absence of any improvement in the trend of raw rubber prices was responsible for a continuance of dull and uninteresting conditions in the Rubber share market yesterday. Operators showed no disposition to change their recent policy, and once again there was no business whatever in the great majority of shares, while the small turnover resulted from further nervous sales. Sedenak gave way rather smartly in face of liquidation, and several other leading counters also exhibited dulness. Trading in the commodity section was on restricted lines, with spot selling down to 7¼d. per lb.

BRITISH REVENUE

FURTHER INCREASE IN CURRENT DEFICIT

Although expenditure last week showed a drop of about £32,000,000 on the outgoings for the previous seven days, it was still in excess of the revenue yield for the week. This has resulted in another increase in the current deficit, which now stands at £159,469,659, as against £157,532,646 in the previous week and £135,822,713 at the corresponding point a year ago. Expenditure for the seven days totalled £13,513,069, compared with £45,026,543 in the week ending December 7th and £15,933,948 last year. Revenue was up at £11,576,046, against £9,200,236, but on a comparable basis with the corresponding week last year there is little change.

For the year so far expenditure has amounted to £606,440,405, and revenue to £446,970,746. At the corresponding period last year these totals were £559,971,206 and £424,148,493. The national defence contribution which was introduced into the returns four weeks ago is now £21,000. The amounts week by week under this head have been £2,000, £3,000, £10,000, and £6,000. The estimate for the contribution to the financial year ending March 31st is £2,000,000. Interest and management of the national debt rose during the week from £176,464,158 to £179,051,217. These totals represent only a comparatively slight increase on those for December last year. Since last March the floating debt has increased from £698,130,000 to £974,120,000—a difference of £275,992,000.

Under various heads the revenue yield of the past week has been:—Income tax, £531,000 (£491,000 at the corresponding point last year); surtax, £400,000 (£290,000); death duties, £1,684,000 (£1,800,000); stamps, £1,490,000 (£1,770,000); national defence contribution, £6,000; Customs, £4,885,000 (£4,984,000), and Excise, £1,743,000 (£1,600,000). For the year to date the totals are:—Income tax, £83,714,000 (£72,062,000); surtax, £8,990,000 (£7,940,000); death duties, £63,130,000 (£58,650,000); stamps, £15,190,000 (£17,210,000); national defence contribution, £21,000; Customs, £157,175,000 (£149,535,000), and Excise, £80,300,000 (£77,000,000).

INSURANCE SHARES

BUSINESS DONE IN LONDON.—Alliance, 26½; Atlas 14½; Commercial Union, 10⅛; Eagle Star Ordinary, 76/3 x.d.; General Accident, 53½; Guardian, 13½; London and Lancashire Fire, 30½; £50 3/6; London Assurance, 15½; North British and Mercantile, 11⅞; Phœnix, 15½; ditto (£1 fully paid), 15½; Prudential, 33½; ditto "A" £1 (4/- paid), £5 0/6, £5 1/-; Royal Insurance, 31⅜, ⅛, ⅛.

BUSINESS DONE IN LIVERPOOL.—Alliance, £26 17/6½; Atlas, 298; Employers' Liability, 66/3, 7/-; General Accident, 6⅛, ¼; London and Lancashire, 30½; North British (fully-paid), 23⅛; Phœnix (400001, etc.), 31⅝; Prudential, 33½; Royal Exchange 10; Royal, 88, ⅛.

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COMPANY MEETING.

THE INDUSTRIAL CREDIT COMPANY LIMITED

The fourth annual general meeting of the shareholders of The Industrial Credit Company, Limited, was held at the offices of the company, 9 Leinster street, Dublin, on Tuesday, the 14th December, 1937, at 2.30 p.m.

The directors present were: Messrs. J. P. Colbert (Chairman), T. Caffrey, Laurence J. Kettle, J. J. O'Leary, and J. F. Punch.

Among the shareholders present were: Mr. J. J. McElligott, Mr. J. Leydon, Mr. H. Briscoe, Mr. Eamonde O'Brien, and Mr. J. Maguire.

The Secretary (Mr. J. P. Beddy) read the notice convening the meeting and the auditors' certificate and report.

The Chairman said: Gentlemen,—We have under consideration to-day the fourth annual balance sheet of the company. You will have noted that our profits show a decline as compared with last year. The gross profit is £38,625, being £7,853 less than that for 1936. There has been a slight saving in expenses, and the net profit at £30,989 shows a decline of £7,690.

No particular significance in regard to the general position of the company must be attached to this recession in our profits. As I indicated at our last meeting, a substantial proportion of our earnings was derived from our underwriting activities, and as this source of income is liable to considerable fluctuation, a certain element of variability must necessarily be reflected in our accounts. During the year the company undertook five capital issues, as against six in the previous year, but the turnover involved was only £428,707 as against £1,149,400. Profits on realisation of investments have constituted another accidental factor affecting our net earnings. At last year's meeting, in recommending the allocation of £10,000 to investment reserve, I indicated that the bulk of this sum represented capital profits. It so happens that during the last year realisations of shares have been considerably less.

PROFIT-EARNING POSITION.

The decline in revenue from these two sources would more than account for the decrease in our net profit. On the other hand, our revenue from loans and investments has shown a very satisfactory expansion during the year, despite the fact that we have had to sell revenue-producing securities in order to afford funds to enable us to take up commitments in entirely new industries. On the whole, therefore, the potential profit-earning position of the company may be said to have improved during the year.

I am sure it will be appreciated by the shareholders that as a pioneer underwriting company such as ours, which has to take up from time to time substantial amounts of shares in new industries that cannot be expected to pay dividends during the constructional period, is inevitably placed in the position of carrying in its portfolio a considerable volume of assets in respect of which it cannot look for any immediate return. While, therefore, we have earned substantial profits, these profits, when related to our total paid-up capital, have not been such up to the present as would make it prudent to pay a dividend, particularly since the first duty of the directors of a young financial institution must be to protect the capital.

DIVIDEND OUTLOOK.

Your directors have given very serious consideration to the question of a dividend this year. After adding to the net profit the amount brought in from last year, and deducting provision for income tax and Corporation profits tax, there remains a balance of profit to be dealt with amounting to £35,194, which is £3,864 in excess of the amount we had to deal with this time last year. While the directors have felt that this showing would justify the payment of a moderate maiden dividend this year, they have decided that it would be in the best interests of the company and of the shareholders to defer a distribution. We hope, therefore, that the shareholders will be content to wait some little time further. While we do not wish to prophesy, we feel confident that this time next year we shall be able to propose the declaration of a dividend.

We recommend that out of the amount of £35,194 available the sum of £10,000 be added to reserve fund, £10,000 to investment and other reserves, and £5,000 to contingency reserve—leaving a balance of £10,194 to be carried forward.

SOUND BALANCE SHEET.

The balance sheet is self-explanatory, and the only comment I wish to make in regard to it is to reiterate the statement I made at the meeting last year to the effect that the directors are satisfied that our balance sheet is a thoroughly sound one.

Our total turnover in underwriting since the commencement of business is now £4,397,107. During the same period there have been issues by companies, not handled by us, amounting to £2,515,642, making a total of issues by companies in the Dublin market since we were established amounting to just under seven millions. Our own underwriting experience has been very satisfactory, allowance being made for the fact that we were pioneers. As may be noted from the balance sheet, the amount of investments which we hold is only £558,756. Moreover, this total includes a considerable investment in shares which have not been the subject of a public issue. It must be observed, in addition, that we have done a very considerable business in loans which, though intrinsically sound, could not for various reasons be suitably financed elsewhere. We may claim, therefore, that the size of our paid-up capital is not immoderate in relation to the amount of business which we have handled.

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. J. J. O'Leary, the report and accounts were adopted.

SUCCESSFUL YEAR'S WORKING.

In speaking to the motion, Mr. J. Maguire referred to the company's successful working for the past year, and stated that the company itself could be looked on as a national asset, offering, as it has, great benefits by providing investment opportunities to the extent of approximately four and a half million pounds to the investing public in Ireland, particularly at a time when a serious slump has been experienced in the British and American capital markets. A further benefit of national importance, he continued, was the large amount of employment given to the employees of the various companies whose careers were started under the auspices of The Industrial Credit Company's financial support by way of underwriting. Mr. Maguire stated that although the company had made substantial profits as a result of the past year's operations, it could still be considered highly successful even if these profits had not materialised, as, in his opinion, the shareholders of the company had invested their money from the highest motives, and actuated by their desire to see accomplished the industrial revival of the country, with all the benefits to be derived therefrom. In this connection he referred to the vision displayed by the Government in setting up The Industrial Credit Company, an example which, he claimed, has since been followed by the British Government.

Mr. J. J. McElligott associated himself with Mr. Maguire's remarks, and agreed that the results, as shown by the company's report and accounts, are eminently satisfactory, and reflect credit on the Board for the way in which the business has been conducted.

On the motion of Mr. H. Briscoe, seconded by Mr. J. J. McElligott, the retiring director (Mr. J. J. O'Leary) was re-elected.

On the motion of Mr. J. J. McElligott, seconded by Mr. H. Briscoe, the auditors (Messrs. Kevans and Son) were re-appointed.

A vote of thanks to the staff for their services during the year, proposed by Mr. J. J. McElligott, seconded by Mr. H. Briscoe, was passed unanimously, Mr. J. Maguire and Mr. J. Leydon associating themselves with the motion.

The Chairman having returned thanks suitably, the proceedings then terminated.

LONDON MINING MARKET

KAFFIRS HOLD QUIETLY FIRM

Yesterday's record of the Mining Market, though not exciting, could on the whole be regarded as quite satisfactory. Only in a few isolated instances was there more than a moderate amount of business in progress; but after a rather dull tendency during the opening dealings most sections assumed a steadier appearance and closed quietly firm. The day's big event was, of course, the Kaffir dividend declarations. Usually the announcements take two or three days to be completed, but by last night virtually all of the distributions had been made known, and on the whole it must be said that they conform to what had been generally estimated in market circles, although there were not unnaturally one or two exceptions.

It could not be said that the Kaffir market derived any great stimulus from the dividends, not all of which, it may be pointed out, were known during business hours, but it was noticeable that the market still maintained a very firm undertone, the Cape and Paris, in addition to local operators, being buyers on balance. Diamond shares spent an uninteresting day, while business and movements in the Rhodesian section were negligible. The West African department remained inactive. In base metals Tins were dull, with a setback in the metal price. Closing prices:—

SOUTH AFRICAN.

M.U.—Dec. 13	
17/8	Afric & Eur
22/6	Ang-A. Corp
15/16	Anglo-French
2/9	Brakpan
21/6	Cent. Mining
1/16	City Deep
5/-	Con. Gold'ds
3/16	Cons. M. Reef
1/9	Con. M. Sel.
14/4	Crown Mines
7	Daggafont'n
22/12	Durban Deep
13/16	E. Daggafont'n
9/4	East Geduld
2/6	E. Rand Prop.
8/7½	E. Rand Cns.
2/16	Geduld
1/8	Golden Deep
41/-	Gen. Mining
1/8	Gov. Areas
4/16	Grootvlei
3/8	Johan Invsts
2/12	Kleinfontein
11/8	Knight's
1/16	Lace Prop.
16/3	Langlaagte E.
17/3	Libanon
1/16	Luipaards Vlei
11/2	Modderfont'n
14/3	Modder E.
4/9	New Comet. Wtr.
2/6	New S. Areas
2/6	Nigel
	Nourse
13/9	Palmietkuil
7/11½	Rand Mines
11/8	Rand Select
2/12	Randfontein
2/5/16	Robin Deep B.
2/12	Rose Deep
14/4½	Simmer & J.
4	S. A. Land's
11/9	S. A. Towns
1/16	Sth.-W. Afr.
8/6	Spaarwater
5/8	Springs
9½	Sub Nigel
8/9	Trans. Del. R.
11/16	Trans. Gold
7/16	Trans. Col. L.
5/8	Trans. Gold
7/16	Union Corp.
1¼	VanD.Con.(10/9)
2/32	Van Ryn
1/2	Do. Deep
15/16	Venterspost
1/8	Vereeniging
1/32	Vlakfontein 10/
1	Vogelstruisbult
1	Welgedacht
1/16	West R. Con.
1/16	Western Rfs.
2/16	(West Springs
7	West Wit Ar
15/16	Wit Deep

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M.U.—Dec. 13	
7/6	Bechuana Ex
3/9	Cam. Motor
29/6	Char. B.S.A.
1/9	E.Af.Gold(5/9)
26/6	Globe-Phnx
10/3	Go'df. Rhod
2/9	Lonarwa
5/4½	Lon. Rhod
2/9	Lonely Reef
4/-	PhnxPnceON.
15/6	Rhod.Anglo
20/6	Rhod.A.Am.
3/10½	Rhod.Bkn.Hill
4/3	Rhod.Corp.
2/3	Rhod.Ex.Syn
16/6	Rhod. Select
10	Rhokana C
16/6	Roan Antel
3/6	Rosterman(5/9)
23/6	Select'n Tst
5/9	Selukwe (2/6)
3/9	Sherw'd Starr
9/9	Tangan.Con.
16/9	Tanganyika
40/6	Do. Pref.
1¾	Wankie Col.
9/7½	Zamb. Expl.

AUSTRALIAN.

7/16	B. Hill Prop.
7/16	Do. 5th. New
3/9	Com'wlth.(4/-)
6/11½	Dt. Beuld'r
16/6	Lake V.Star
20/6	Lake V.Inv.
3/-	Mount Bn.
3/-	Nth. Bn. Hill
1/32	Sons of Gwalia
5/9	Sth.Kalgurli
2/6	Sulphide Ord.
19/6	Do. Pref.
7/6	Wiluna Gold
4	Zinc Ord. 10/-
6	Do. Pref.

DIAMOND.

25/32	Cons. Af. Sel.
10/6	Cons. S. W. Afr
	Pref. (10/6)
11/4	DaBeersDef.
15	Do. Pref.
1¼	Jagersf'tein
4¾	Premier Pref.
2/6	West Afr.

COPPER.

13/9	Messina
1/16	Mount Lyell
18/4	Rio Tinto (£5)
2/16	Tharsis

TIN.

M.U.—Dec. 13	
5/11/32	Ampat (10/9)
3/6	Anglo-C. (10/6)
1/32	Arnhmyn
8/6	Associn'd
26/10½	Ayer Hitam
8/6	Bisichi
12/6	Gopeng
3/6	Idris Hydr Tin
24/4½	Ipoh
1/8	Kaduna Syndt
11/7	Kamunting
14/6	Kram't Pul
4/6	Lond.Tin(4/6)
35/7½	Malayan T.D
1/-	Pahang (5/6)
5/6	Pattani (5/6)
19/6	Petaling
3/6	Rahim's Hydr
1/16	Rambutan
1/16	Rawang Con.
2/4	Renong
25/8	Siamese
3/1½	Tavoy (4/6)
1/32	Tronoh (5/6)

WEST AFRICAN.

3/4	Amal.Bt(5/6)
8/6	Ariston
3/6	Ashanti(4/6)
1/4½	Abo Gold
17/6	Bibiani
11/9	Fanti Cons.
23/9	G.Coast'n
1½	Kwahu (2/6)
1/7½	L'dhurst Deep
14/9	Marlu Gold
1/6	Nth. Ashanti
1/16	Taqu'h & Abs.

MISCELLANEOUS.

11/6	Burma Corp
40/6	Champ. Reef
11/6	Chos. Corp.
2/6	Explor. (10/-)
26/6	Frontino
4/6	Mex. Corpn.
2/9	Min. Trust
6	Min. Sepn'tn
7/3	Min. Urp. Can.
22/6	Mysore (10/6)
2½	Nundydroog
3/-	Oovgum
24/3	St. J. Del Ray
9/3	San Francisco
1	Tigon Ming.
29/6	Trepca
7/3	Walhi In.

* Ex div. † Ex rights. ‡ Ex bonus. § Ex cpt.

OBITUARY

DR. PATRICK C. HICKEY

Dr. Patrick C. Hickey, M.D., whose death, after a long illness, took place last evening at his residence, West End, Kilkee, was aged eighty-two. He graduated at Queen's College, Cork, and was medical officer of Kilkee dispensary district from 1881 until he resigned in 1919, and was succeeded by his son, Dr. C. C. Hickey. He was very popular. In the great war he served with the Royal Army Medical Corps. After the war he served for some years as medical officer on the ships of the Aberdeen Line. He was a breeder of racehorses, which won various events. In his younger days he was a noted athlete, and for some years held the championship of Ireland and England for running and weight-throwing. He has held the world's record for throwing the ¼-cwt. from the shoulder. In 1879 he represented Ireland against England in a single-handed tug-of-war event at Stamford Bridge, London, which he won, being awarded the gold medal of the Amateur Athletic Association. It is of interest to recall that that was the last occasion on which single-handed tug-of-war events took place.

Dr. Hickey had been a Justice of the Peace. He was elected to the first board of the Kilkee Town Commissioners, and was a member of the Commissioners at the time of his death. He is survived by his wife, Dr. C. C. Hickey, Mr. F. F. Hickey, C.E.D.S.O.; Major J. P. Hickey, R.A. (sons), and by his daughters.

CORK WORKERS' DEMAND

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

CORK, Tuesday.

At a meeting of the Cork Corporation to-night, the City Manager, reporting on an application by the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union for an increase of 10s. weekly for Corporation labourers, stated that notice had been given by the union to terminate the 1936 agreement. In reply, he said, he had stated that under the agreement notice could only be given by either party provided the Minister for Industry and Commerce certified that in his opinion economic fluctuations since the date of the agreement warranted its revision, and the Minister had declined to issue such a certificate. The union declined to withdraw the three months' notice.

It was agreed that the City Manager discuss the matter with the men's representatives and report back.

Authorisation was given for a stock issue of £206,000 at 4 per cent., to be used chiefly for housing.

Viscount Monsell has been appointed by the Air Ministry a Government director on the Board of British Airways, Ltd.

LATEST CLOSING AND STREET PRICES

* Ex div. † Ex rights ‡ Ons. cm. § Ex bonus

BRITISH FUNDS, ETC.

	Closing.		Rise or fall
Consols 2½ %	74⅛	74⅛	— 1/8
Do 4 %	110⅝	110⅝	
4½ % War Loan	101⅞	101⅞	+1/16
Funding Loan	113⅜	113⅜	+1/16
Victory Bonds	110 25/32	111⅛	
5 % Conversion Loan	101⅝	101⅝	
3½ % Conversion Loan	101⅞	102¼	+1/16
4 Conversion Loan	105⅝	105⅞	
4 % Conversion Loan	114 15/16	114 15/16	
2½ % Land Stock 1903	74½	75⅛	
Irish Free State 4½ % Gd Bd	107	108	
India 3 %	78	80	
Do. 3½ %	93	94	
Local Loans	86⅞	87⅛	
Sudan 5½ %	110	113	

PUBLIC BOARDS.

Cent. El. Bd. 4 % 1968 Sw	103	103
Do. 5 % 1950-70	112	114
Do. 4½ % 1951-73	108	110
Do. 5 % 1955-75	115	117
Do. 4½ % 1957-87	110	113
Metro. Water 3 p.c. (a)	80	80

BANKS.

Bank of Australasia	8½	8⅝
Bank of England	340	344
Bank of Montreal	39¼	40¼
Bank of New South Wales	38	39
Bank of New Zealand	33/6	33/9
Barclay's "A" Shares	16½	16¾
British Overseas	3¼	3¼
Canadian (Commerce	12⅝	13⅛
Chartered of India	11⅞	12¼
Hong Kong and Shanghai	85½	86½
Lloyds	86	89
London and S. American	17/16	1 1/16
Martins £20 (£2/10 paid)	2 5/16	2⅜
Midland	97½	101⅛
National Discount "B"	13 7/16	13 5/16
National Provincial (£4 pd.)	14 7/16	14⅝
Royal Bank of Canada	35¼	37⅛
Standard of South Africa	14½	14¾
Union of Australia	7	7⅛
Westminster Bank	45/6	47/6

DOMINION AND COLONIAL STOCKS.

Australian Com. 5 p.c., 1945 78	106¾	107¼	— 1/8
Do do 4 p.c. 1955-70	104	105	
Do do 3½ p.c. 1948 53	100	102*	
Canada 4 p.c., 1940-60	108	108	
N.S.W. 5 p.c., 1945-65	106½	107¼	— ⅛
Do. 4 p.c., 1944 62	99	101	
New Zealand 3 p.c., 1952-55	90	90½	
Do. 3½ p.c. 1955-60	97	98	—1
Nigeria 5 p.c.	122	125	
Queensland 5 p.c., 1940-60	105⅞	106⅝	
South African 3 p.c., 1954 64	94⅜	95¼	— ⅛
Do 5½ p.c., 1935 68	102½	104½	— ⅛
South Australian 5 p.c., 1945 75	106½	107	— ⅛
Do. 4 p.c. 1940-60	100	102	
Victoria 4 p.c., 1940-60	100	102	
Do. 3 p.c., 1945 75	106½	107	— ⅛
W. Australian 5 p.c., 1945-75	108¼	108¾	— ⅛
Do. 4 p.c., 1942 62	99	101	

FOREIGN STOCKS.

M.U.—Dec. 13

—	Argentine 4 p.c. Resch.	101¾	102¼
—	Austrian 3 p.c. Guar Sterling Bonds	100	102*
101	Belgian 3 p.c.	100½	101½
98	Do. 4 p.c. Bonds	97	97
23½	Brazil 6½ p.c. S. Bds. '27	22½	23½
58½	Do 5 p.c. Funding, '98	59	61
42	Do 5 p.c. do., 1914	41	43
86½	Chinese 4½ p.c., 1898	85	88
79½	Do 5 p.c., 1912	58	60
66	Do 5 p.c. Reorg., 1913	66	68
70	Chinese Imp. Ry. 5½ Gld.	65	75
—	Do. Shanghai Nanking 5 p.c	40	45
29	Do. Tientsin-Pukow 5%	25	35
103½	Czecho Slovak. Bonds	103	104
101¼	Egyptian Unified	101½	102¼
12½	French Loan 4 p.c.	12½	13
57¾	German 7 p.c.	56½	57½
39½	Do. 5½ p.c.	39½	39½
—	Do. Potash 7 p.c.	83½	86
41	Greek 7 p.c., 1924	41	42
33	Do. 6 p.c. Stabs.	32	35
29½	Do. 5 p.c., 1914	28	31
14	Italian Rentes	11	16
68	Japan 6 p.c., 1924	63½	68½
64	Do. 5½ p.c. Conversion	62	64
3½	Mexican 6 p.c. '99	3¾	4¼
4¼	Do. 4 p.c. 10 Y. Treas	4	4¾
44	Peru 7½ p.c. Guano	40	50
1¼	Peruvian Corporation	1	1½
8¼	Do. Pref	5	8½
54	Do. Gen	33	55
71	Poland 7 p.c. Sterling	70	71
81	Portuguese 3 p.c.	80½	81½
1 15/16	Turkish 7½ p.c., 1933	1½	2

BRITISH RAILS.

62¼	Great Western	62	63
—	Do. Pref.	118½	118½
29	Ldn., Mid. And Scot. Ord.	28¾	29
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref	81	83
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pref.	103	105*
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref. 1923	69	71
8	Ldn., North East. 5 p.c. Pref. Ord.	7¾	8¼
4¼	Do. Def. Ord.	4	4¼
—	Do 4 p.c. 1st Pref.	86	90
—	Do. 5 p.c. 2nd Pref.	24½	28½
—	Lond. Trans. 5 p.c. "A"	128	129*
—	Do. 4½ p.c. "A"	116	118*
—	Do. "B"	119	122*
—	Do. "C"	79¼	80¼
88½	Southern Pref Ord	86	87
19	Do. Def. Ord	18¾	19¼
—	Do 5 p.c. Pref	114	116

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

13½	Antofagasta Ord	12	14
—	Bahia Blanca Guar. 8%	7¾	7¾
18½	Buenos Ayres Gt. Sthn.	18	20
—	Buenos Ayres & Pacific Ord	6	8
7½	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	6	8
14½	Buenos Ayres and W.	13½	15½
—	Canadian National Guar.	86	89*
8	Canadian Pacific	8	8 1/2
14½	Central Argentine Ord.	14	16
6½	Do. Def.	6	8
—	Central Uruguay Ord.	2	4
2½	Cordoba Central New	2	3
47½	Do. 1st Deb	46	48
11	Do 2nd Deb	10	12
7½	Entre Rios Ord.	6	9
—	Do. 5 p.c. Cum. Pref.	16	18
—	Grand Trunk 4 p.c. Guar	98	101*
—	Do 4 p.c. Perp. Deb.	78	101*
3½	Leopoldina	3	4
7/6	Mexican Rails	3/4	3/6
25/0	Do 8 p.c. Pref.	1	2
7/6	Do 5 p.c. Pref.	1/4	3/4
80	San Paulo Ord	60	64
—	United Havana Stock	1	3

AMERICAN RAILS.

—	Atchison	38	41
19¼	New York Central	18	21
—	Pennsylvania	20	23
14	Southern Common	12	15
—	Southern Pacific	20	23
85	Union Pacific	83	86

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.

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129/0	Bass, Ratcliff Ord.	127/0	129/0
20/0	Breweries of Vancouver	19/0	20/0
11/9	City of London Def. (5/-)	11/0	12/0
82/0	Courage	81/0	82/0
102/3	Distillers Ord	101/9	102/9
121/6	Guinness Ord.	119/9	121/9
108/6	Ind Coope and Allsopp	107/0	109/0
—	Mitchell and Butlers	92/0	92/0
100/0	South African Breweries	98/6	100/6
—	Walker (John) Pref.	32/9	33/9
22/6	Walker (P.) & Ct Cain Or	20/0	22/6
77/9	Watney Combe Def.	75/9	77/9

DRAPERY AND STORES.

71/3	Barker (John)	70/9	71/9
—	Burton (T.) Ord.	13/3	14/6
3/6	Cook Son and Co.	3/0	4/0
—	Gamage A. W.	21/0	22/0
76/3	Harrod's Stores	74/6	75/6
7/3	Harrod (T.) A.	7/3	8/3
23/3	Maple and Co.	24	25 6
2 15/16	Marks & Spencer (5/-)	2 7/8	2 15/16
1 5/8	O. K. Bazaars "A"	27/6	30/0
—	Selfridges Pref.	31/0	33/0
68/3	Woolworth Ord.	67/9	68/9
30/0	Do Pref	29/6	30/6

ELECTRIC SUPPLY.

—	Bournemouth and Poole	67/3	68/3
—	City of London	33/6	34/0
—	County of London	46 6	46/9
—	Edmundson's	37/3	38/3
—	Electric Supply Corp.	37/0	37/0
—	Lancashire	32/6	33/6
—	London Electric	36/3	36/3
—	Metropolitan	45/3	46/3
—	North Eastern	31/6	32 6
—	St. James's	97	101*
—	South London	31/0	33/0
—	Whitehall Inv. Pref.	20 0	22/3
—	Yorkshire Ord	39/0	40/0

ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT.

44/3	Associated Electric Ind.	43/4	44/0
93/9	British Insul. Cables	91/6	92/6
87/6	Callenders Cable	86/6	88/6
—	Crompton Parkinson	44/0	45/0*
—	Enfield Cable Ord.	5 1/2	5 1/4
29/3	English Electric	29/0	29/9
28/3	Ever Ready (5/-)	23/3	28/3
74/9	General Electric	73/9	75/9
19/3	Henley's Tel (5/- sh.)	18/0	19/6
40/9	Johnson and Phillips	39 9	41/9
—	Philips Lamps	2 7/16	2 7/16
29/0	Siemens	28/6	29/6
—	Telegraph Constr.	2 7/16	2 7/16

INSURANCE.

—	Alliance £20 (£2 4/ p.)	27½	28¼
—	Atlas £5 (£1 5/ paid)	14¾	15¼
—	Com. Union £1 Units	9⅛	10⅛
—	Eagle Star Ord £5	3¾	4
—	Employers £1 (5/- paid)	34/0	36/0
—	Gen. Accdt. £1 (5/ pd.)	5¼	5¾
—	Guardian £5 (10/- pd.)	13½	14⅝
—	L. & Lan. Fire £5 (£2 p.)	29¾	30¾
—	Lon. Ass. £24 (£12 pd.)	16¼	18¾
—	N.B. & Mer £5 (£1½ p.)	11¼	11⅝
—	Northern £10 (£1 paid)	19⅜	19⅞
—	Pearl £1	19½	20
—	Phœnix £10 (£1 paid)	15¼	15¾
—	Do £1 (f.p.)	18½	19
—	Prudential	33¼	34
—	Do £1 (4/- pd.)	102/0	102/6
—	Royal Exchange	9⅞	10⅛
—	Royal Ins. £1 10/ pd.)	9⅝	9⅞
—	Sun Ins. £1 (5/- paid)	4	4¼
—	Sun Life £1 (f.p.)	7¾	8¼
—	Yorkshire 50/- (10/- pd.)	8½	8⅞

IRON, COAL AND STEEL.

—	Allied Iron	22/3	23 3
2.0	Amal Anthracite	1/9	2/3
24/9	Amal Metal Ord	24/0	25/0
43/0	Babcock Wilcox Ord.	42/6	43/0
8/4½	Baldwins	8/0	8/0
—	Bolsover Colliery	43/0	44/0
23/3	Brown (John) (5/-)	20/3	23/3*
9/0	Cammell Laird (5/-)	8/3	10/3
—	Colville Ord (£1)	23/6	24/6
—	Consett Iron	10/0	11/3
23/3	Cory (William)	23/0	24/0
12/0	Dorman Long and Co.	12/0	13/0
1/0	Driffield Iron (1/-)	1/0	1/0
—	Firth (T.) and Brown	2 1/2	2 1/2
29/0	Guest Kees	29/0	30/0
30/0	Hadfields (10/)	29/0	30/0
—	Hill Richard	1/4	1/4
—	Manchester Collieries	17/0	19/0
11/0	Pease and Partners	10 9	11/0
21/0	Powell Duffryn	21/0	22/0
18/3	Pressed Steel	14/0	17/0
42/9	South Durham Steel	40/0	41/0*
20/4½	Stewarts & Lloyds Def	18/0	20/0
9/10½	Thomas (R.)	9 6	10/3
27/3	United Steel Cos.	26/0	27/3
28/0	Vickers Ord	24/6	28/0

OILS.

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39 11/16	Anglo Ecuadorian	38 9	39/6*
11¾	Anglo Egyptian "A"	11⅝	12 1/16
5/16	Anglo Iranian Ord	5/3	5/4½
39/4½	Do. 5 p.c. 1st Pref.	38/6	39/6
39/4½	Do 5 p.c. 2nd Pref.	38/9	39/9
39/4½	Apex Trinidad (5/- sh.)	15/6	15/9
11¼	Attock	10/6	12/6
13/7½	British Borneo Pet. (5/-)	13/3	14/3
4/0	British Burmah (5/-)	4/0	4/6
2/9	British Controlled	2/6	2/9
5/3	Do. Pref	5/0	5/6
5 1/32	Burmah	5¼	5 15/16
39/3	Do 6 p.c. Pref	38/9	39/9
12/3	Canadian Eagle Ord	12/3	12/9
13/7½	Do 7 p.c. 1st Pf. (£5)	12/0	14/0
13/1	Do 8 p.c. Pref.	13/3	14/3
5/9	Kern River (10/-)	5 1/4½	5/10
1/9	Lobitos	1/7½	1/9
12/3	Mexican Eagle Ord	12/7½	14/1½
13/0	Do 8 p.c. Pref	13/3	14/3
8/6	Do 7 p.c. 1st Pref. (4 paid)	8/0	8/0*
9/3	Nor.te C'ansian (10/-)	9/3	9/9
4/6	Phœnix Oil	4/9	5/3
2 4½	Do 'A' shares	1/16½	2 4½
37½	Royal Dutch	38½	39
4 11/16	Shell Transport	4¾	4 13/16
39/0	Do 5 p.c. Pref. (£10)	38/6	39/0
33/0	Do 7 p.c. Pref.	33/6	34/0
7/3	Steaua Romana	6/6	7/6*
6/106	Tankers Pref	6/6	7/6*
10/6	Trinidad Central	10 0	11/0
4 15/16	Trinidad Leasehold	4 15/16	5 1/16
4/3	V.O.C. Holdings	1/3	1/3
1½	Do 7 p.c. Pref	1 15/16	1 15/16

RUBBERS.

29/6	Anglo Dutch	29/0	29/0
11/16	Anglo Malay	11/16	11/16
2/9	Bukit Mertajam	2/9	2/9
1/1½	Bukit Sembawang	1/0	1/0
13/0	Grand Central	14/6	14/6
29/0	Highlands	29/0	29/0
12/6	Jugra Land	12/6	12/6
32/6	Kuala Lumpur	32/6*	32/6
19/4½	Linggi	19/0	19/0
4/0	London Asiatic	4/0	4/0
26/3	Malacca	25/7½	26/3
31/10½	Malayalam	31/3	31/3
3/4½	Merliman Ayer Kuning	3/3	3/3
17/6	Orient Trust	16/10½	17/6
29/3	Rubber Trust	28/6	29/6
21/3	Tandjong	20/7½	21/3
21/3	Tandjong Malim	20/7½	21/3
53/0	United Sua Betong	53/3	53/9
8/6	Vallambrosa	8/6	8/9

RUBBERS.

Allagar	1/3	Kamunting	3/3
Allied Sum	18/0	Kepong (2/-)	3/4½
Anglo Java(1/)	0/10½	Kepitigall a	1/4½
Batu Tiga	30/0	Kinta Kellas	2/9*
Bremen Per'k	2/4½	Kombok	1

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1937.

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SALE TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW,
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SALE TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), at 12 o'c.
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MALE SERVANTS WANTED.

GENERAL HOUSEMAN WANTED, Raglan road; good references essential. Address "Z 3151, Houseman," this omce. 9 C

MALE SERVANTS DISENGAGED.

PLOUGHMAN wishes to hear of vacancy; can milk; R.C.; wages 10/-. Address "Z 3202, Ploughman," this office. 9 D

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BETWEENMAID, Co. Meath; a capable country Girl REQUIRED; must have some experience. Apply Mrs. Meagher, Kilcairne Park, Lavan, C. Meath. 9 D

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WANTED COOK GENERAL, Foxrock; two adults; engagement from January.—D 1068, this office. 10 C

WANTED, December 31st, for doctor's house, trained COOK GENERAL; copies references, state age, wages. Address "Z 3171, Cook General," this office. 10 D

WANTED, COOK GENERAL, in January, for England; two in family; house parlourmaid kept; near R.C. church; could interview in Dublin during Christmas week.—Hacking, Twogates, Farnham, Surrey. 11 C

WANTED, smart young COOK GENERAL; two in family; good wages.—40 Oakley road, Ranelagh. 13 C

GENERAL SERVANTS WANTED.

A GENERAL WANTED for two adults; plain cooking, small washing; must be well recommended; 3rd January; £28, card paid.—D 1183, this office. 14 D

GENERAL WANTED; early riser; long references; good help given.—Watson, 15 Park avenue, Sandymount. Apply by letter, or 6 o'clock.

GENERAL WANTED, country Girl, farmer's daughter, first time out; plain cooking; good home for suitable person; R.C.; small house, suburbs.—D 1188, this office.

GENERAL WANTED after Christmas for Yorkshire. Apply by letter, enclosing references, to Mrs. Titterington, c/o Royal Bank, Dalkey.

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WANTED, after Xmas, Rathgar, experienced young GENERAL, good cook; small family; no washing; good wages.—D 1060, this office. 10 D

WANTED, GENERAL, Ballsbridge district, plain cooking; four adults. Reply D 1105, this office. 11 D

WANTED in January, well recommended young GENERAL for Ballsbridge; small family; England; small modern house; Irish family of two; good wages; interview Dublin, after Xmas. Apply, letter only, 7 Vergemount, Clonskeagh. 13 C

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TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION, on TUESDAY, 21st DECEMBER, 1937, at Dringah House, Drinagh, Co. Wexford, for Mr. Greathead (who is giving up hunting):—
5 Hunters, aged from 5½ to 7 years, hunted last season with Kilfinick Harriers; 2 Brood Mares, 3 Untrained Horses. V.S. Certificates for each animal. Further particulars re breeding, etc., supplied by Auctioneer.
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DOMESTICS WANTED CONTINUED.

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WANTED, Co. Kildare, good HOUSEMAID or HOUSE PARLOURMAID; wages £30; send age, copy references. Address "Z 3168, House Parlourmaid," this office. 10 C

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WANTED in a month's time, an experienced, capable NURSE for two children, 2½ and 1 year; Rathmines district; R.C. Reply, with copies of references, to D 1163, this office. 13 E

WANTED for Bordon, Hants, an experienced NURSE for infant 5 weeks old; must be well recommended; over 50. Send references to Mrs. Graham, Summerhill, Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny. 14 D

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